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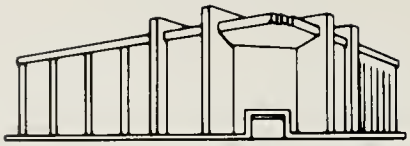

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The Obituaries listed within does not include all deaths in the Kern River Valley, only those published in the 'Kern Valley Sun' newspaper. The first year available and copied was 1969 and this is a continuing project.

The gathering of Obituaries in book form was compiled throught the efforts of the Clan Diggers Genealogical Society of the Kern River Valley, with the permission of the publishers of the 'Kern Valley Sun' newspaper. We would like to express our appreciation to these publishers for their cooperation, without which we could never have started this project.

It is our hope that this gathering of Obituaries will simplify the search for information on the relatives or friends that have gone before us and will further the interest in Genealogy.

The SURNAME INDEX includes only the name of the person deceased and does not include other persons that may be mentioned in the obituaries.

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THIS PROJECT IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF

MAMIE FRANCES (CARPENTER) HENDRICKS

Mamie F. Hendricks

Memorial services were held Thursday, November 17, 1994 at the Library in Lake Isabella for Mamie F. Hendricks of Lake Isabella. Mamie was born August 17, 1913 in St. Joseph, Missouri and passed away November 9, 1994 in Mt. Mesa.

Mamie was married to Steve Hendricks in 1932 and had 49 years together until he passed away in 1981. She was a clerk at the U.S. Post Office in San Jose for 20 years before retiring in 1978. Mamie was a member of the NARF, Senior Nutrition, the Clan Diggers and the NSDAR.

She is survived by her sister and brother-in-law Alice and Cecil Dale of Lake Isabella; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law John and Judy Hendricks of Mt. View, Calif.; also many neices and nephews and grand neices and grand nephews. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

NSDAR

The Kawaiisu chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution held a memorial service for Mamie Hendricks on Nov 17 at the Library in Lake Isabella. The service was presented by Marian Adkins, Regent. Attending the service were her sister, Alice and Cecil Dale of Lake Isabella and family; brother-in-law John and Marie Hendricks of Mt. View, Calif., and family; and three neices, Mamme and Mike Markieviez of Albuquerque, N.M. and family, Janet and Robert Gibson of San Jose and family, and Cherrie Rubnankara and son of Sacramento. Also present were many friends and members of the NARF, Clan Diggers, NSDAR, and Senior Nutrition. Mamie was a charter member of the Senior Nutrition organization. Nadelle Getting announced that Mamie's name would be placed on a plaque at the Senior Center in Lake Isabella. Mamie was an active and faithful member of our chapter. The offices she held in four years as a member were Chaplain, Registrar, Lineage Research, Membership and press book chairman. During the memorial service red, white, and blue carnations were placed by our members. The hall was decorated in red, white, and blue. Refreshments were served by Phyllis Piper and Marge Laskowski.

KERN VALLEY SUN

Wednesday
Jan. 2, 1991

OBITUARY

Jessie Irby

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Dec. 26 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Jessie Irby of Bodfish, officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Lake Isabella. Mr. Irby passed away Dec. 23 at Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years Mary of Bodfish; daughter Belle Layhon of Southlake; sons Don of Oregon and Carl of Bodfish; four grandchildren.

Mr. Irby had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 20 years. Born June 25, 1902 in Texas, Jesse Norman Irby was 88 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

George W. Simmons

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Dec. 26 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel, Lake Isabella for George Simmons of Bodfish. Officiating were officers of KRV Post 7665 Veterans of Foreign Wars and Chapter 54 Disabled American Veterans with eulogy by Joel Astor. Mr. Simmons passed away Dec. 20 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years Ardeth of Bodfish; daughter Georgette Simmons of Anaheim; grandaughter Karenia of Anaheim; sisters Emma Myers and Cissie White, both of Ohio. George Simmons was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War who served with the Airborne Infantry. He had been a full time resident of the Kern River Valley for the past five years. Born May 12, 1930 in Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio. George Williams Simmons was 60 years of age.

Interment at the U.S. National Cemetery Riverside, CA. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 2, 1991

OBITUARY

Dorothy Ellen Hill

A family memorial service was conducted at the Valley Mortuary Lake Isabella on Monday, Dec. 24 for Dorothy Hill of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Hill passed away Dec. 18 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt.Mesa.

She is survived by her husband of 38 years Forrest of Wofford Heights; son Dave of Twain Harte, CA, Greg of Boise, Idaho, Ron of Kelseyville, CA; daughter Cheryl Cozad of California and two granddaughters Stephanie and Shannon. Mrs. Hill had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 17 years.

Born Dec. 2, 1933 in Blandord, Massachusetts, Dorothy Ellen Hill was 57 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Helen M. Vaughn

Helen M. Vaughn of Wofford Heights passed away Dec. 15 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa. She is survived by her husband Keith of Wofford Heights; son Michael of Wofford Heights; daughter Carol Lindquist of Wofford Heights; four sisters residing in Southern California; two grandchildren, Douglas and Scott and five great-grandchildren.

Helen Vaughn was a member of the Kern Valley Women's Golf Club and had been a resident of Kern County her entire life. Born June 24, 1914, Helen Marian Vaughn was 76 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 2, 1991

OBITUARY

Royse L. Brooke

Royse Brooke of Havilah passed away Dec. 17 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his sons James of Aiken, South Carolina, Ronald currently residing in Germany; daughter Manya of Greenbelt, Maryland; five grandchildren.

Royse Brooke is preceded in death by his late wife Helen deceased in 1983.

Born Dec. 31, 1914 in Wellington, Collingsworth County, Texas, Royse Lynn Brooke was 75 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Memphis Cemetery, Memphis, Texas. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Harold J. Trainor

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Thursday, Dec. 27 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church, Wofford Heights for Harold Trainor of Southlake.

Celebrant of the mass was Monsignor Anthony G. Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish. Mr. Trainor passed away Dec. 22 at Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife Marjorie of Southlake; son Timothy of Los Angeles; sister Dorothy Haas of Wisconsin and nieces and nephews in Michigan and Montana. Harold Trainor served with the U.S. Army during WW II in the Aleutian Islands. In 1946 he was commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant. Born Oct. 24, 1914 in Madison, Wisconsin, Harold John Trainor was 76 years of age.

Interent at the Kern River Valley Cemetery with prayers and consecration of the grave by Monsignor Herdegen. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 9, 1991

OBITUARY

Sophie Poelke

Services were held for Sophie Poelke, 96, of Bismarck, North Dakota, at the Church of the Nazrene, Denhoff, with the Rev. John Bergstrazer officiating. Burial will be in Goodrich Cemetery. She died Dec. 17 in a Bismarck nursing home.

Sophie Hornbacher was born April 18, 1894, at Marion, S.D.. The family moved to a homestead near Goodrich in 1900. She married Henry Poelke on June 26, 1918. They farmed near Denhoff until 1927, when they moved into Denhoff. She worked as a seamstress. Mr. Poelke died in 1958. Sophie moved to Wofford Heights in 1983. In 1990, she entered Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center in North Dakota.

She is survived by one son, Arnold, Boise, Idaho one daughter Mildred Kissee, of Wofford Heights, one brother Ted, Fargo; six grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Wednesday
Jan. 9, 1991

OBITUARY

Terry Post

Terry L. Post, born June 9, 1951 in Riverside, CA and died after a brief illness on Dec. 20, 1990 in Kansas City, MO.

Terry was a resident of the Kern Valley from 1961 to 1969 during which time he attended Woodrow Wallace Elementary School and was a 1969 graduate of Kern Valley High School.

He is survived by his wife, Karla and his parents Carroll and Betty Post of Jacksonville, FL; a sister, Carol Brazell, also of Jacksonville; three children, Tanya, Aaron and Stephanie; niece Kimberly Brazell and nephew, Jeffery Fiddler; uncle Jamie Maddox and aunt Darita Folsom.

Memorial services were held Dec. 22 in Overland Park, KS. Cremation followed the service.

"Pappa" Schmidle

Guillermo G. Schmidle known to his friends in the valley as "Pappa" passed away Dec. 31 at the Kern Valley Hospital. He is survived by his sons G.J. Bill Schmidle of Hacienda Heights; Gus Schmidle of Judsonia, Arkansas; daughter Alexandra Pavon of Apple Valley; sister Maria Elena Galan of Buenos Aires, Argentinia; 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Pappa has been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past eight years. He was a retired industrial chemist who worked in the metal plating industry for more than 40 years. Here in the Kern River Valley, Pappa was an accomplished artist and member of the Kern River Valley and Bakersfield Art Association. He signed all of his paintings "Pappa"

Born Dec. 27, 1916 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Gullermo Gustavo "Pappa" Schmidle was 74 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains in family plot, Judsonia, Arkansas. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Edwin L. Hooper

Edwin L. Hooper, a retiree of Richfield Oil Co. and a 24-year resident of Weldon, passed away on Thursday on Jan. 3. Graveside services were conducted by Loyal Order of Moose were held at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield.

In the 1970s, Hooper helped to organize the Kern Valley React and with the support of his wife Evelyn, became dedicated members. She preceded him in death in 1979.

He is survived by a daughter Barbara Haubenbeck of Fullerton; sons Edwin Jr., of Sun City and Fred of Ontario; 9 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandson.

Wednesday
Jan. 16, 1991

OBITUARY

Jim Carter

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Jan. 3 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in lake Isabella for Jim Carter of Onyx. Officiating was Joel Astor. Mr. Carter passed away Dec. 30 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. He is survived by his wife of 37 years Barbara of Onyx; daughters Teresa Robbs of Ridgecrest, Diana Paver of Indiana; mother Ellen Carter of Lake Isabella; sisters Willa Crump of Lake Isabella, Jeanne Hillim of Oroville, Shirlee Blakemore of Riverside and two grandchildren, Rebecca of Ridgecrest and Joseph of Indiana.

Jim Carter retired Sept. 1990 from the Engineering Prototype Dept. at NWC China Lake where he had worked for about 30 years. He was a U.S. Army Veteran who served during the Korean conflict.

Born May 18, 1929 in Sweetwater, Texas, Jimmy "Jim" Carter was 61 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery where Jim's flag was presented to the KRV Chapter 19 of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Kenneth Lopeman

Kenneth Lopeman of Mt. Mesa passed away Dec. 29 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years Eunice of Mt. Mesa; son Kenneth of Colorado, son Raymond of Utah, son Donald of Arizona; nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Born Nov. 1, 1907 in Cash County, Missouri, Kenneth Edwin Lopeman was 83 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 16, 1991

OBITUARY

Robert Leake

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Friday, Jan. 4 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Robert Leake of Weldon. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish. Mr. Leake passed away Dec. 30 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Fern of Weldon; five daughters, Jean Perin of Irvine, Pat Mardis of Onxy, Barbara Rogers of Huntington Beach, Paula Sainz of Dallas, Texas, Doloris Prentice of Alabama; two sons, John of Wilmington and Gary of Torrance; 22 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Robert Leake had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 8 years having moved here from Hawthorne. He was retired from Northrop Corp. Born Oct. 30, 1916 in Brinkley, Monroe County, Arkansas, Robert Edward Leake was 74 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery where consecration of the grave was accomplished by Monsignor Herdegen. Graveside prayers were delivered by officers of KRV Moose Lodge No. 498 of which Leake was a member. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Avis Earlene Wilhite

Services were held January 20 in Ridgecrest for Avis Earlene (Byrum) Wilhite of Ridgecrest,, who died January 9 at the Ridgecrest Community Hospital. She was 78.

Born May 31, 1913 in Durham, Oklahoma, she lived in the Ridgecrest area from 1944 to 1948 and from 1952 to present. She retired in 1972 after 20 years with the technical information department of the China Lake Naval Weapons Center.

Mrs. Wilhite is survived by her husband Roy of Ridgecrest; three daughters, Janet Byrum of Lake Isabella, Donna Byrum-Klavir of Redondo Beach and Judith K. Judith of San Francisco; a son-in-law, Chauncey Smith of Bodfish; brother, Elmer Gooden of Aguanga; eight grandchildren, Paul Scholz of Arlington, Va, William Smith of Woodenville, Wash. Michael Byrum of Tucson, Ariz, Kathy Aycock of Peru, Robin Byrum of Lake Isabella, John Smith of Santa Maria, David Kroes of Los Angeles and Joshua Klavir of Santa Cruz and three great grandchildren.

Betty Jean Holliday

Betty Jean Holliday "Betty Boop" died January 15 at Bakersfield Memorial Hospital. She resided in Lake Isabella for the past 24 years.

She was active in the Grandmother's Club, Mountain Airs CB club, Ladies of the Moose. She also worked for Kern Valley High School in the cafeteria.

Mrs. Holliday is survived by her husband of 43 years, Don of Lake Isabella; two sons John and Carol Holliday of Vancouver, WA and Tom and Cheryl Holliday of Ridgecrest; 6 grandchildren, Sandi, Christine, Kerry and John II of Vancouver; Joshua and Don of Ridgecrest. She is also survived by many friends and relatives. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Agnes Katherine Wright

Services were held Jan. 16 at the Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield for Agnes Katherine Wright.

Mrs. Wright was born August 23, 1907 in Clairton, Pennsylvania and died January 13.

Interment was held at the Parkview Memorial Park in Bakersfield.

KERN VALLEY SUN

Wednesday
Jan. 23, 1991

OBITUARY

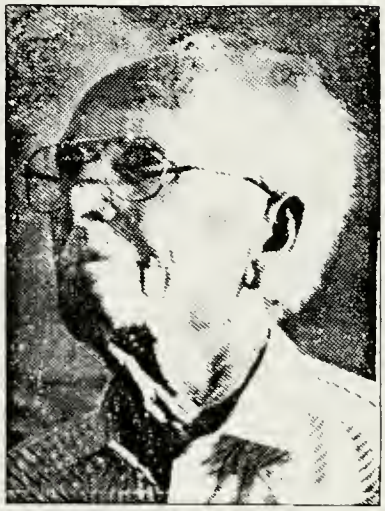
Environmentalist Ardis Walker dies

By Kathe Malouf
Kern Valley Sun

Ardis Walker, the Kern Valley's best known resident whose commitment to the preserving the environment predated today's popular movements, died last week at the age of 89.

Walker had held a number of careers during his life, including newspaper correspondent, judge, county supervisor, innkeeper, author of local history and accomplished poet. But perhaps Walker will best be remembered for his 40-plus years of conservation work. Ardis and his wife Gayle worked nearly 20 years to establish the Golden Trout Wilderness on the Kern Plateau.

Ardis Manly Walker was born in the mining town of Keyesville in April, 1901. His parents, William Brandon and Etta Mae Bole-Walker were both born in Kernville. Ardis was the third generation of Walkers to live on the Kern River. He boasted of his famous granduncle, Joseph Redford Walker, a well known scout and explorer and discoverer of Walker Pass. His uncles Newt, Tom, Phil and Jim were local gunfighters. Newt Walker, who Ardis affectionately called "My shootin' uncle" is said to have shot and killed two men on the main street of Havilah. One of the men had a long-standing feud with the Walkers and the other was a gunman hired to kill Newt Walker.



Ardis Walker

Ardis Walker attended the one-room school house in old Isabella. As a child he was fascinated by poetry. He said he used to walk home and think up his own rhymes, reciting them aloud. His love for poetry stayed with him through his lifetime.

Walker graduated with honors from the University of Southern California as an electrical engineer in 1927 and joined the staff of Bell Telephone in New York City.

In a 1982 Kern Valley Sun interview, Walker said "I enjoyed my time in New York, but was glad to know that I would not be spending the rest of my life there. I longed for the mountains and suffered a nostalgia for the hills where I was raised."

But it was while he was in New York that he met Edna Underwood, who he credited as his mentor for his publications of quatrains and poetry. "She told me that writing quatrains was like chiseling on steel; into it you condense a philosophy of a lifetime."

Walker completed is first book, simply titled 'Quatrains' in 1930, published by the House of Stockwell in London. The second edition of Quatrains was published in 1971.

After five years of city life, Walker returned to the Kern Valley. It was after he returned to the valley in 1932 that he met and began courting Gayle Mendelssohn, then a Kernville school teacher.

Walker often told the story that during his courtship to Gayle, she had a chance to go to the Mediterranean. When she asked Ardis for advice whether she should go, he encouraged the trip. But to make sure she would not forget him, he mailed love sonnets to her — one was waiting for her at every port. They were married soon after her return in June of 1937.

In 1932, Walker worked as a features writer for the Bakersfield Californian.

In the late 1930s, Ardis entered the world of politics. Like other endeavors, he was successful in the field. He served as judge of the First Judicial District of Kern County from 1938 to 1948. In 1948, he was elected Kern County

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Walker was a champion of both environment and poetry

Supervisor, a term he held until 1952.

Gene Tackett, who served as First District Supervisor from 1978 to 1986 said he first met the Walkers while campaigning in Havilah.

"I had done my research of the area and knew that a man named Ardis Walker had served as supervisor from 1948 to 1952. But I figured that anyone who had been supervisor that long ago was no longer around," Tackett said. "That's when we (Tackett and his wife, Wendy) met the Walkers. We became really good friends. They were very supportive of me politically. Ardis had a big impact on me. He was one of a kind."

From 1953 to 1964, Ardis and Gayle ran the Kernville Inn, which later became the Riverview Lodge, along the Kern River. After the sale of the lodge, Ardis returned to what he called his 'first love,' poetry. "Poetry is so shaped that it causes a special emotional response on the part of the one who reads it. Otherwise it is only a rhymed essay," Walker once said. "I like to think that I say something that causes people to feel that emotion."

Ardis and Gayle worked side-by-side on many projects, one of which was the formation of the Kern Plateau Association in 1940. Also in the 1940s, they worked to get a high school for the Kern Valley. In 1954, they were instrumental in creating the annual Whiskey Flat Days celebration. In 1960, they sat on a committee to gain State Park status for Red Rock Canyon. As a couple, the Walkers were also instrumental in forming the Kern Valley Historical Society in 1967.

Ardis and Gayle were honorary life members of the Kern Valley Historical Society and Kern River Valley Art Association.

Ardis's work in conservation received wide recognition. He was listed in the International Who's Who; was awarded the Service Award from the Kern County Fish and Game Protective Association in 1962; honored by the Kern County Board of Supervisors as "Citizen of the Year" in 1967 and by California State Senate in 1973, for his work for natural resources and conservation.

Ardis was awarded the National Wildlife Federation Award for his conservation work and in 1980, he was honored by Pacific Flyfishers as "an artist in conservation."

Ardis was one of the founding members of the Death Valley 49er's and a charter member of the Kern Valley Rotary Club, formed in 1962.

Ardis and Gayle didn't have any children, but "adopted" many Kernville residents. Two of those "adoptees" are Keith and Bess Pringle.

"Ardis was a kind person, but he was also staunch. If he believed in something, he didn't care if he said something to make you mad or not. If he believed in something, you knew it," Bess Pringle said of Ardis. "He was a super man, one you were glad to have known. But he was terribly lonesome after Gayle died."

Gayle died on Sept. 6, 1988. In many of his love poems and sonnets, Walker referred to Gayle as "his inspiration."

"Ardis and Gayle were both very precious people who did a lot for others. Ardis had a great sense of humor; he loved to tease people. And he hardly ever got mad," said his niece June Walker Price. "He was a very giving person," she said. During the past few months, Price said Walker talked a lot about being with "his Gayle."

Another close friend, Bill Jenkins, said he will remember Walker for his work for the environment.

Walker published many books of poetry, quatrains, haikus, history and love sonnets.

One book, "Love Harvest," a series of love poems, includes many of his poems written to Gayle.

Along with his niece, June Walker Price, Walker is survived by a second niece, Vivian Walker Miller of Woody, nephew Bud Walker of Bakersfield and three generations of great nieces, and nephews.

There will be no funeral service; a memorial service will be held in a few weeks.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Kern River Valley Museum Memorial Plaque, the Walker Endowment fund, or the Sequoia Litigation fund. All of the above may be sent in care of the Kern River Valley Historical Society, P.O. Box 651, Kernville, CA 93238.

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Jan. 30, 1991

OBITUARY

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OBITUARY

OLGA KERR

A funeral service was conducted Friday Jan. 11 at the Committal Chapel of the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Olga Kerr of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of KRV Chapter 643 Order of the Eastern Star of which Olga was a member. Mrs. Kerr passed away Jan. 9 at the Kern Valley Hospital. She is preceded in death by husband Ben deceased Oct. 19, 1982 and survived by her sister in law Ophelia of Lake Isabella; nephew John Lychner of Missouri, niece Henrietta Tokar of Ohio; friends Bill Braden and Lulu Morris both of Lake Isabella.

Born May 26, 1907 in Jefferson County, Missouri, Olga Freda Kerr was 83 years of age.

LEE M. BOWLER

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, Jan. 19 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel, Lake Isabella for Lee Bowler of Kernville. Officiating was Rev. James Lee pastor of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Bowler passed away Jan. 1 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

She is preceded in death by her husband Edward G. Bowler, deceased in 1981 and son Kenneth D. Lamer deceased in 1990.

She is survived by her daughter Jeanne Bruckman of Kernville; granddaughters Charon of Bodfish, Carolyn of Little Rock, Lori Beth of Ohio; five great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Born Jan. 2, 1910 in Ashtubula, Ohio, Lee Mildred Bowler was 81 years old. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

WILLIAM R. ASKREN

William Askren of Bodfish passed away Jan. 22 at the San Joaquin Care Convalescent Hospital where he was a resident for most of the past two years. Bill Askren retired to Kern County after spending 30 years with the Santa Fe Railway. He was an avid fisherman and a Mason for more than 60 years.

He is survived by his wife, Velma of Bodfish; daughter Evelyn Bruce of Bakersfield; sister Ruth Berry of Kernville; grandchildren Marsha Elkins of Bakersfield, Carole Jones of Tehachapi, Stephen Lincenio of Redwood City. Interment of cremated remains at the Glen Abbey Memorial Park Cemetery, Bonita, CA . Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

MARGARET ULLOM

A funeral service was conducted at the Committal Chapel of the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights on Tuesday, Jan. 22. Officiating was W. Melvin Hetrick, Jehovah's Witness. Mrs. Ullom passed away Jan. 19 at the Bakersfield Convalescent Hospital. She is survived by daughter Beverly Buys of Weldon; son Earl of Weldon; brothers Clarence Stegall of Arizona, Calvin Stegall of San Diego, Darrel Stegall of Texas, Tim Stegall of Kingsburg, Ronald Stegall of Fresno; sisters Marjorie Booth of L.A., Darleen Wilson of Hawthorne, eight grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Born May 31, 1915 in Santa Monica, Margaret Ullom was 71 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

HANK HARTMANN

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Jan. 9 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for Henry Cecil "Hank" Hartmann of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Lake Isabella. Mr. Hartmann passed away Jan .3 at home following illness. He is survived by his daughters Pauline Webb of Huntington Beach, Roberta Sproul also of Huntington; son Donald of Bodfish; brother Ross of New Mexico; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Hank was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served with the 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion in the Asiatic-Pacific region and received the Philippine Liberation Medal with two battle Stars and the Bronze Star.

Born Nov. 21, 1914 in Los Angeles, Henry C. "Hank" Hartmann was 76 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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C.D. "SPEED" PETTY

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Jan. 16 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Claude D. "Speed" Petty of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Charlene Joy Hallof, practitioner, Church of Religious Science. Mr. Petty away Jan. 21 at Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Evelyn of Lake Isabella; son Claude Thomas "Boss" Petty of Burney; daughters Charlene Joy Hallof of Phoenix, Arizona, Janice Sharon Kenyon of Arleta; brother Forest O. Petty of L.A.; sister Ethel Dossey of Olympia, WA; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Speed was a member of the 55 plus Club and the Bodfish-Lake Isabella Bodfish Property Owners Assoc.

Born May 31, 1909 in Marsden, Oklahoma, Claude Doddridge "Speed" Petty was 81 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

ROBERT HAMILTON

Robert Edward Hamilton of Kernville passed away Jan. 14 at the Kern Valley Hospital. He is survived by his wife Ann of Kernville.

Mr. Hamilton was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served in the Aleutian Islands and the Asiatic-Pacific. He had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 4 years.

Born May 12, 1920 in Kokomo, Indiana, Robert E. Hamilton was 70 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

MICHAEL MELROSE

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday Jan. 29 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Michael Melrose of Weldon. Officiating was Rev. Charles Smith, pastor of the United Methodist Church Weldon. Mr. Melrose passed away Jan. 25 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife Vera of Weldon, mother Marguerite Melrose, brothers, Albert, David and Timothy all of California and many nieces and nephews.

Michael Melrose was retired after 17 years with the Santa Monica Fire Department. During WW II, he served with the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Kermit Roosevelt. He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past nine years.

Born Dec. 31, 1927 in Santa Monica, Michael Norris Melrose was 63 years old.

Interment of cremated remains at the U.S. National Cemetery, Riverside. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Donation to the Kern Valley Hospice program in memory of Michael Melrose will be appreciated by his family.

SAM HOUCHIN

A funeral service for Sam D. Houchin of Wofford Heights was conducted Thursday, Jan. 24 at the Kern River Valley Elks Lodge. Officiating were officers of BPOE No. 2358, Mr. Houchin passed away Jan. 21 at San Joaquin Community Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Louise of Wofford Heights; sons Larry of Riverside, Billy of Long Beach; brothers Dan of Wofford Heights, Whalen and James of Texas; sisters Mary of Oklahoma and Lois of Wofford Heights and three grandchidlren.

Sam Houchin was a past Exalted Ruler of the KRV Elks Lodge and a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army. Born Nov. 6, 1926 in Ladonia, Texas, Sam Doak Houchin was 64 years of age. Interment oat the Kern River Valley Cemetery where graveside prayers and presentation of the United States flag were done by officers of the Elks.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Feb. 6, 1991

OBITUARY

LUCILE E. PATTERSON

A private graveside service was held at Kern Valley Cemetery for Lucile E. Patterson who passed away on Jan. 13 in Bakersfield. Rev. Fred Baker, minister of the Kernville United Methodist Church officiated.

She was preceded in death by her husband Milton (Pat) on Aug. 8, 1990, her sister Marie Boyer and her grandson Tom Rolfe in 1983.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law Doris and Wayne Requa and JoAnn and Richard Rolfe of Kernville; her grandson and wife Dan and Donna Requa of San Juan Capistrano, her granddaughter and husband Christine and Sam Vullo of Huntington Beach; three great grandsons, John Vullo, Tommy Rolfe and Cory Requa and two great granddaughters Jo Ann Vullo and Kelsey Requa; her brother A.B. (Bob) Crumrine of Kernville; brother in law Verdi Boyer of Arcadia and two nieces and nephews.

JEANNE BRADEN

Jeanne Braden, 68, died on Dec. 15. in Bakersfield, She was a former San Diego resident and retired to Lake Isabella in 1978.

Survivors include her husband William Travis Braden; son Michael Travis Braden of Covina; daughter Jean Miller of Chula Vista; 7 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Glen Abbey Mortuary. Graveside services were held Dec. 21 at the Glen Abbey Memorial Park with Rev. Lovell of the Southern Baptist Church of Chula Vista officiating

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LON WILKS

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Jan. 29 graveside at the Kern River Valley cemetery in Wofford Heights for Lon Royce Wilks of Wofford Heights. Eulogy and prayers were delivered by family and friends.

Mr. Wilks passed away Jan. 26 at the Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield. He is survived by his wife Hazel of Wofford Heights, sons Doug and Roy both of Walnut; sister Jessie Wright of Downey; grandchildren Cari, Fred and Mike all of California.

Lon Wilks was a retired serviceman for Southern California Gas Co. where he worked for 45 years.

Born Feb. 17, 1906 in Downey, Lon R. Wilks was 84 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

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OBITUARY

ROBERT EDWARD HAMILTON

Robert Edward Hamilton, 70, of Kernville, stainless steel sculptor, painter, poet, philosopher and author, passed away on Jan. 14 at Kern Valley Hospital, following a long illness of pulmonary disease.

Mr. Hamilton was born in Kokomo, Indiana on May 12, 1920. He attended Kokomo schools and Indiana University-Kokomo Campus. During WW II he built, maintained and operated the Armed Forces Radio Station on Kiska in the Aleutians, also doing his own poetry reading over-music show. Returning to civilian life, he served as a paramedic and radio operator for the Kokomo Fire Department. While developing his talents in painting and sculpture. He was also an award winning actor with Kokomo Civic Theatre, and served on its board of directors. He was also on the board of the Congregational Christian Church.

Hamilton's first commissioned sculpture was for the Jones and Laughlin Stainless Steel Division in Detroit, Michigan. The company provided him with the knowledge and facilities to work with the brilliant metal, and his own experimentations led to the development of his unique combination of an epoxy and sand filler in a stainless steel strip form.

Moving to the Southwest in 1968, Hamilton pursued his career in Sedona, Scottsdale and Tucson, Arizona; Taos and Santa Fe galleries in New Mexico; and in California in the San Francisco, Los Angeles and Palm Springs areas. In his final years before retiring most patrons came to his studio home in Joshua Tree, CA.

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In 1978 he was awarded a $20,000 commission from the California Arts in Public Buildings Program to create a sculpture for a state government building in El Centro. One of Hamilton's best known works is at the Superscope-Marantz Headquarters Building in Chatsworth. This 15-foot stylized treble clef sculpture revolves on its base and is spotlighted at night. The location has been used in many TV and movie productions.

Hamilton and his wife of 50 years, Anne, came to Kernville in 1987 to their retirement home in the Hi-Ho Park. In failing health from emphysema, he began writing books about his work, poetry and philosophy.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Sandra (Mrs. John Hanna) of Pomoma, Ca and Pamela (Mrs. Gleo Huyck) of Wasilla, Alaska. Also two granddaughters, Marzieh Huyck of Wasilla and Heather Huyck at University of Alaska Fairbanks; a brother, Harry Hamilton, of Kokomo, Indiana, also survived him.

Cremation was arranged by Valley Mortuary. Friends are invited to attend a memorial service to be held Feb. 24 at the home of family friend Phyllis Hix.

A memorial service will also be held Feb. 27 at the University Auditorium in Kokomo, where a wreath will be placed at the base of a large Hamilton sculpture on the campus, entitled "Phoenix". Mrs. Hamilton will be attending the ceremony in Indiana.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in Hamilton's memory may contribute to the preservation of the California Redwoods by contacting the Sequoia Forest Alliance, P. O. Box 922, Kernville, Ca 93238.

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MEMORIAL

A memorial service for Ardis Manly Walker will be held on Saturday, Feb. 9 at 3 p.m. at the senior center, Lake Isabella.

Persons wishing to make a memorial contribution have the following option: The Ardis Manly Walker Museum Memorial Plaque, Museum fund; the Sequoia Litigation fund (Save the Redwoods).

Send in care of the Kern Valley Historical Society and note the appropriate fund to P.O. Box 651, Kernville, CA 93238. Ph. 376-6683.

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Phyllis Winslow

Phyllis Kaye Winslow

Graveside services were held at the Kern River Valley Cemetery on Friday, Feb.. 8 for Phyllis K. Winslow, who passed away Feb. 5 in Bakersfield. Mr. Lalo Enriquez of the Church of Christ officiated.

Phyllis was born Feb. 11, 1938 in Colony, Oklahoma and resided most of her life in Bakersfield. She attended elementary schools in Bakersfield and graduated from East Bakersfield High School in 1955 with a Gold Seal diploma, denoting an A-average for her high school attendance. She also attended Bakersfield Junior College.

She was employed in the banking and financial industry since 1960 and worked at the Niles and Glenwood Branch of Security Pacific Bank in Bakersfield for many years.

In 1972, Phyllis and her family moved to the Kern River Valley area making their home in Wofford Heights. Phyllis began her employment with Santa Barbara Federal Savings at this time and was manager of the Kernville Branch and also the manager of the Lake Isabella branch at the time of her illness.

Her many community activities included the Kern Valley

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Business and Professional Women's organization, Exchange Club, Lake Isabella Chamber of Commerce, Visitor's Council, South Fork Women's Club, Kern Valley Women's Club, Kern Valley Hospital Foundation and the American Motorcycle Association. One of her most proudest moments was her selection by the Business and Professional Women as "The Woman of the Year" for 1989.

Survivors include her husband, Ernie Winslow of Wofford Heights, son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Janna Winslow of Wofford Heights; son Tim Winslow of Barstow, CA; grandson, Ryan Travis Winslow, who will miss his "grammy" very much.

She also leaves behind her mother, Berchal Ringo of Lake Isabella and her brother and his wife, Robert and Bonnie Ringo of Lakeland Estates, Lake Isabella. Also very special people in her life were her sister-in-law and her husband Gail and Bob Yossand; very close friends Joe and Norma Roseberry and her mother-in-law Ruth Winslow of Bakersfield.

In lieu of flowers, make donations to the Kern County Charter of the American Lung Association.

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Harry Brennan

Harry Brennan, 67, of Bodfish, formerly of Buena Park, a retired quality-control worker for Rockwell International Corp, died Monday, Jan. 28.

Services were held Friday in the Renaker-Klockgether Mortuary, in Buena Park. Burial at Riverside National Cemetery.

Survived by his wife, Ruby, son Larry of Huntington Beach; brothers, James, of Fullerton and Arthur and Richard, both of Boston; sister, Marie Higgins of New Hampshire and three grandchildren.

Mr. Brennan was a life member of the VFW, life member of the DAV and member of Moose Lodge 498.

Steve Miranda

Services were held at St. Jude Church in Wofford Heights on Thursday, Feb. 7 with graveside following at Kern Valley cemetery for Steve Miranda, who died Feb. 3.

Mr. Miranda was born June 30, 1916 at Onyx. He was 74 years of age.

He is survived by his wife, Irene Miranda of Onyx; daughter Mary Parbier of Las Vegas, Jessie Castro of Tracy; sons Bert Miranda and Steve Jr., of Las Vegas and sisters Chanza Andreas and Charlotte Stone. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

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Ethel Schultz

Ethel Schultz (Schultzie) died Jan. 25 at Valley Presbyterian Hospital in Van Nuys. She was 82.

Born Dec. 20, 1908 in Carbon Cliff, Illinois, she lived in Wofford Heights from 1961 to 1985, when she moved to Reseda to live with her daughter.

She is survived by six daughters, Shirley Dow of Moline, IL, Darlene Schultz, of Reseda, Beverly McBee of Littlerock, Patricia Church, of Colona, IL, Marilyn Barrie, of Salem Or, Caroll Mills, Reno, NV; brothers Leroy Williams, Rogers, Ark, Bob Martin, Sylmar, CA; sister Leona Holst, Good Hue, Min.

Violet Olson

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Kern Valley Bible Church, Lake Isabella for Violet Olson of Weldon. Officiating was pastor Jack Didlley. Mrs. Olson passed away Feb. 4 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Maynard of Weldon; son David of La Crescenta; daughter Joan Ethridge of Glendale; sister Lucy Cooney of Glendale, 4 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Violet was a member of the Grandmothers Club and Kern Valley resident for 16 years.

Born June 28, 1919 in Massachusetts, Violet Florence Olson was 71 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Claudia Thompson

Claudia Thompson of Kernville, passed away at the Memorial Hospital of Greater Bakersfield on Feb. 4.

She is survived by her husband Bob of Kernville; daughters Cheryl Grubbs of Kernville, Renee Cole of Pinegrove; sisters Margaret Durnbach of Oregon, Mary Templeton also of Oregon, Esther Tippet, of Washington; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Born Jan. 20, 1929 in Nebraska, Claudia Doris "Stubbie" Thompson was 62 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Edris "Jim" Hughes

Edris "Jim " Hughes of Wofford Heights passed away Feb. 3 at Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife Frances of Wofford Heights.

Mr. Hughes was a master Mason and a member of the Rising Light Masonic Lodge No. 397 of Huntington Park, a member of the Long Beach Scottish Rite, Charter Member of the El Bekal Shrine Temple of Long Beach.

Jim Hughes had been a resident of the Kern River Valley since 1971.

"Born Feb. 3, 1905 in Denver , Colorado and named for Mount Edris in his father's home country of Wales, Edris "Jim" Hughes was 86 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Berthold Prival

Berthold B. Prival of Bodfish passed away Feb. 4 at the Memorial Hospital of Greater Bakersfield. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Mary of Bodfish; sons Tim of Portland, Oregon, Leland of Sherman Oaks, daughter Melody Ortega of Los Angeles and three grandchildren. Berthold Prival opened the first dance studio in the San Fernando Valley nearly 50 years ago.

He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 16 years.

Born Sept. 14, 1905 in Inglewood, New Jersey, Berthold Baruch Prival was 85 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella

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OBITUARY

Harry Coe

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Inglewood Memorial park cemetery in Inglewood on Feb. 13 for Harold W. Coe of Mt. Mesa.

Prayers and eulogy were delivered by family and friends. Mr. Coe passed away at home Feb. 9, following illness.

He is survived by his brother in law William Howard Scruggs of Mt. Mesa, nephew Donald Scruggs of Chino and many friends here in the Kern Valley.

Born June 17, 1912 in Oshkosh, Winnebago County, Wisconsin, Harold "Harry" Coe was 78 years of age.

Interment at the Inglewood Memorial Park. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Margaret Donner

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Feb. 14 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights for Margaret Donner of Squirrel Valley. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church, Lake Isabella. Mrs. Donner passed away Feb. 11 at Kern Valley Hospital.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years Herbert of Squirrel Valley, sons Herbert of Pacific Palisades, Stephen of Laguna Beach; brother Leonard Webster of Long Beach and five grandchildren.

Margaret Donner was a member of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church. She was retired from the Pacific Telephone Co. and a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Born Dec. 22, 1907 in Inglewood, California, Margaret Webster Donner was 83 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Donations to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 3569 Lake Isabella in Memory of Margaret W. Donner will be appreciated by her family.

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OBITUARY

Roy Lee Williams

Services were conducted on Feb. 11 in the Chapel of the J.W. Sams and Sons Funeral Home for Roy Lee Williams, 58, of Bakersfield, who died Feb. 7 in Santa Barbara.

Mr. Williams was born March 20, 1932 in Checotah, OK. He lived in Arvin as a young man. He was a self employed refrigeration repairman for years in the Lake Isabella area. He served his country during the Korean conflict from 1952 until 1956 with the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Christine of Bakersfield; 3 sons Jerry and Keith Williams both of Lake Isabella and Michael of Oklahoma City; a daughter, Kim of Bakersfield; brother, Raymond of Arkansas; 2 sisters, Leonard Starr and Wynona Trantha, both of Bakersfield; 3 grandchildren; step-children, Paul. Turner and Dorothey Walbridge both of Ventura, Sandra Prowrest of Las Vegas; 10 grandchildren.

Arrangements by J.W. Sams and Sons Funeral Home, Arvin.

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Edris "Jim" Hughes

Edris "Jim" Hughes of Wofford Heights passed away Feb. 3 at Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years Frances of Wofford Heights, daughter Janice Knickerbocker of Hermosa Beach; granddaughters Tracey Knickerbocker of San Luis Obispo and Kerri Knickebocker of Pleasanton, Ca.

Mr. Hughes was a Master Mason and a member of the Rising Light Masonic Lodge No. 397 of Huntington Park, a member of the Long Beach Scottish Rite, charter member of the El Bekal Shrine Temple of Long Beach.

Jim Hughes had been a resident of the Kern Valley since 1971.

Born Feb. 3, 1905 in Denver, Colorado and named for Mount Edris in his father's home country of Wales, Edris "Jim" Hughes was 86 years of age.

MEMORIAL

There will be a memorial service for Robert Edward Hamilton on Sunday, Feb. 24 at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Phyllis Hix, located on Rio del Loma, off Burlando Road in Kernville.

Dorothy Marie Kent

Dorothy Marie Kent, age 74 years, died in Fresno on Feb. 14. Mrs. Kent was a former resident of Delano and retired registered nurse, pilot, past president of the 99s Womens Pilot Assoc. and chairman of the 99's Air Race in 1960.

She is survived by her husband Dr. Herbert Kent, O.D., one son, Barry Briden of Fairfield; 2 daughters, Laura Briden of Stockton and Gail Stone of Colorado and three grandchildren.

There will be no services, due to her request. Remembrances, if any, may be sent to the American Cancer Society, 2940 No. Fresno Street, Fresno, CA 93703. Cremation arrangements by Neptune Society.

Alvin Perry Hudson

Private cremation services were held for Alvin Perry Hudson of Wofford Heights. Mr. Hudson was born July 23, 1906 in California and died Feb. 18 in Bakersfield. He was 84 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary Hudson of Wofford Heights; son Kendall Hudson of Rolling Hills Estates; 2 grandchildren. Mr. Hudson was a member of the Elks Lodge No. 2020 of Downey and El Segundo Rod and Gun Club. Mr. Hudson was an 18 year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Donna Lou Kendrick

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Thursday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. at St. Jude's parish Catholic church in Wofford Heights for Donna Lou Kendrick of Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen.

Mrs. Kendrick was born Oct. 20, 1910 in Boone, Iowa and died Feb. 18 in Mt. Mesa. She was 80 years old and a 42 year resident of the Kern Valley.

She is survived by her dear friends and caregivers Twila Griffith and family of Mt. Mesa; sons Ron Erickson of Oregon, Jim Erickson of Colorado; 12 grandchildren and 6 great great grandchildren. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Alma Eurene Stevens

Private cremation services were held for Alma Eurene Stevens of Bodfish. Mrs. Stevens was born Jan. 28, 1902 in Tennessee and died Feb. 19 in Bakersfield she was 89 years old and a 24 year resident of the Kern Valley.

She is survived by her husband James Stevens of Bodfish.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Mildred Deadrich

Mildred Deadrich, 92, died at her home in Wofford Heights on Feb. 17, following a long illness. She was preceded in death by her husband Louis R. Deadrich on Oct. 9, 1985.

Known as "Mimi", she graduated from U.C. Berkeley, where she was a member of Kappa Delta sorority. She taught at Fremont High School in the Oakland Public School system for several years. She and her family moved to Bakersfield in 1943 where she was active in the American Association of University Women and other community organizations.

She and her husband retired to their home in Wofford Heights in 1981.

Mimi is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Don and Audrey Deadrich of Wofford Heights; granddaughter Donna L. Higgins of Wofford Heights; Laura Vigil of Mariposa and four great grandchildren.

Donations in her memory may be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, National Headquarters, 70 East Lake Street, Chicago, Il 60601-9971. There were no services per her wishes.

OBITUARY

Sylvia Lillian Michel

Sylvia Lillian Michel was born Feb. 10, 1928 in Brooklyn, New York and resided in Lake Isabella for the past 26 years. She was previously employed at Kern Valley Hospital as a nurses aide for 12 years. She was a member of the Four Square Church

She is survived by her husband Ted; daughter Pauline Plasencia of Pomona, daughter Marian VanSickle, Riverside; daughter Karen Lownes of Colorado; son Donald Michel of Thousand Oaks, son Eddie Michel of Lake Isabella; 10 grandchildren, one great grandchild; brother Fred Liuzzi of Torrance and Tom Morshallo of Georgia, sister Anna Longo of New Jersey and Theresa Pasciuta of Ontario.

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Louise McCartney Stewart

Louise McCartney Stewart was born March 23, 1907 and passed away Feb. 22. She lived in Wofford Heights since 1962, and worked at the local hospital for many years as a nurse and helped at the senior center.

She was a charter member of Kern River Valley Chapter Order of the Eastern Star and Yod Chapter, Order of Golden Slipper.

Louise is survived by her daughter Ida Reed, daughter in law Toni McCartney, four grand daughters Janet Skaggs, Louise Handyshell, Nancy Coates and Robin McCartney, grandson Ernie McCartney Jr. and 8 great grandchildren. Service was held Thursday, Feb. 28 at the cemetery.

Fern Kite

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday March 6, 1991 at the Committal Chapel of the Kern River Valley Chapel of the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights for Fern Bernice Kite of Auburn, formerly of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Kite passed away Feb. 27 at the Auburn Faith Hospital, Auburn, Placer County, CA.

She is preceded in death by her husband Milford Dean Kite deceased 1987 and by her son Billy Dean Kite deceased 1975.

Fern is survived by her daughter Betty Helman and husband Byron of Cool, CA; daughter Suzanne Kuhl and husband Chuck of La Mirada; seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Fern had resided in the Kern Valley since 1974 and had only recently moved to Northern California. Her husband Milford will be remembered by amateur radio operators. His call sign was K6GYF.

Fern was born Aug. 27, 1913 in Nebraska. She was 77 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

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O.E. "Nick" Nicholson

A funeral service was conducted Friday, March 1 at the United States National Cemetery Riverside for Otis E. "Nick" Nicholson of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of American Legion Arcadia Post 247.

Mr. Nicholson passed away Feb. 24 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years Velma of Lake Isabella, brother in law Drew Blankenship of Lake Elsinore.

Mr. Nicholson was retired from U.S. Postal Service. During WW II, he served with the U.S. Navy as ship's cook aboard the USS landing craft 480 and 407. He had resided in the Kern River Valley for the past 11 years. Born Feb. 6, 1908, in Washington County, Kentucky, Otis Eugene Nicholson was 83 years of age.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

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OBITUARY

William Greer

William Greer of Weldon passed away March 4 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield. He is survived by his wife Dot of Weldon, children Lee Kenneth Greer of Vacaville, Sheila Rush of Vacaville, Ilene Kott of Evansville, Indiana, Pamela Irwin of El Dorado, Illinois, Loretta Jones Hughson, Linda Huber of Little Rock, Arkansas, 11 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Mr. Greer was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served with the infantry in the Asiatic-Pacific Region. He had been a resident for past 11 years. Born Feb. 6, 1916 in Fordsville, Ohio County, Kentucky, William Lewis Greer was 75 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Agatha Dee Throop

Graveside services were held Friday, March 1 at Hillcrest Memorial Park for Agatha Dee Throop, former long time resident of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Bud Frye.

Mrs. Throop was born March 16, 1905 in Moberly, Missouri and passed away Feb. 24, in Whittier, after a long illness. She was 85 years of age.

Mrs. Throop had lived the last nearly eight years of her life at the home of her daughter and son in law, Beverly and Russell Shatto in Hacienda Heights.

She was preceded in death by two children, Melvin and Lois Throop and her husband, Everett Arthur Throop, deceased June, 25, 1970.

She is survived by her six children, daughter Anita Adams and her husband Paul of Bodfish; Marilyn Rahm and her husband Frank of Bodfish; Beverly Shatto and her husband Russell of Hacienda Heights; and Dee Huckelberry and her husband Country of Weldon; also two sons, Roger Throop of Colton and Gary Throop of Bakersfield. She is also survived by brothers Lowell White and Marvin White; a sister Florence Dexyter and numerous nieces and nephews and cousins, 16 grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren and one great great grandchidren.

Dee aid her husband Everett moved to Lake Isabella in the mid 60s from Compton. They spent manyweeks and weekends camped at Paradise Cove, their favorite campsite around the lake.

Ernest Albert Moss

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday March 5 at the Family Life Center of the Foursquare Gospel Church Wofford Heights for Ernest Moss of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. Jerry Ruff, pastor. Mr. Moss passed away Feb. 28 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years Jean of Bodfish; sons Don of Bakersfield; Mike of Bodfish; daughters Pat Hardin of Bakersfield, Barbara Barnes of San Luis Obispo; sister Betty Alvarez of Bullhead City, Arizona and 11 grandchildren.

Ernie Moss retired from the United States Air Force with the rank of Chief Master Sergeant whose service from 1942 to 1967 spanned three wars: WW II, Korea and Viet Nam.

Ernie had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 24 years. He was a member of KRV VFW Post 7665.

Born Oct. 13, 1923 in Cleburne, Johnson Country, Texas, Ernest Moss was 67 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery where MILITARY honors were tendered by officers of VFW Post 7665. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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Marietta H. Cote

A memorial service was conducted March 15 at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church for Marietta Cote of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor. Mrs. Cote passed away March 10 at home following illness.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Charles of Bodfish; daughter Carol Burkey of Bodfish; son Ted of West Hollywood, grandchildren Melissa, Mark and Allyson; and great grandchild Kyle.

Donations to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 435, Wofford Heights will be appreciated.

Born Aug. 30, 1918 in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York, Marietta Helen Cote was 72 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Margaret Shinneman

Margaret Shinneman, a long time resident of Kernville and owner of Shinny's Bait and Tackle Shop, passed away March 1 at the age of 92.

There will be no services. The burial will be in Old Kernville Cemetery.

She is survived by daughter Orpha Jean Stalvey; son Wm. B. Shinneman and grandson Roger B. Shinneman.

James Ingram

A funeral service was conducted Monday, March 11 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for James W. Ingram of Mt. Mesa. Officiating were officers of KRV VFW Post 7665. Mr. Ingram passed away March 7 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Elvira of Mt. Mesa; son John of Colorado; daughters Patricia Jenkins of Gridley, Juanita Ingram of Selma; brothers Floyd, Francis, Dolan and Robert all of Northern California and three grandchildren.

Mr. Ingram was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served with the combat engineers in Europe, Africa and the Middle East. He was a life member of Canoga Park VFW Post 2805, a member of the Moose, Eagles and American Legion, Jim Ingram had been a resident of the Kern River Valley since 1984.

Born Nov. 14, 1918, in Ballhill, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma, James William "Jim" Ingram was 72 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Paul Hill, Sr.

A memorial service was held on Thursday, March 14 at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Lake Isabella for Paul Hill Sr. of Lake Isabella.

Born Sept. 9, 1919 in Tulsa, OK, Mr. Hill passed away at home on March 10 at the age of 71 years.

Mr. Hill served with the U.S. Army, Rainbow Division and was a Veteran of World War II's Battle of the Bulge. He worked as a real estate broker in the South Bay region of L.A. County. After weekending in the area for many years, the Hills retired and moved into the area on a permanent basis in 1971.

Mr. Hill is survived by his wife of 49 years Sue Carolyn; sons Paul Jr. of Lake Isabella; Henry of Inglewood; daughter Dianna Rolleg of El Paso, TX; sister Ruth Coger of Salina, OK, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

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Douglas R. Giles

Douglas R. Giles of Kernville passed away March 21 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. He is preceded in death by his wife Joann deceased 1989 and survived by son David of Michigan; daughters Brenda of North Hollywood; son Mark of Palmdale; daughter Gloria of Michigan; son Dave of Canyon Country; brother Bruce of Michigan; granddaughter Krystal of Canyon Country; grandson Richie of Canyon Country.

Douglas Giles was a University graduate in Michigan and a member of the Elks and Moose. He was a retired engineer who had worked in both the automotive and aerospace industries. Born March 14, 1927 in Michigan, Douglas Ray Giles was 64 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Burt A. Hutchison

Burt Hutchison passed away Saturday, March 16 at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield.

Mr. Hutchison was born July 23, 1915 in Covina and was a resident of Kern River Valley for 40 years with his wife of 52 years, Ola Hutchison. Burt was employed with the U.S. Forest Service for 25 years.

He was the fire control officer for the Cannell Meadow District for 18 years before he retired . Burt was a Mason as well as a member of the Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife Ola Hutchison of Lake Isabella; son Duane and wife Rory of Bodfish. and two grandchildren Roy Hutchison of Bakersfield and Cindy Hunt of Lake Isabella.

Eula Mae Fitzgerald

A funeral service and formal visitation were conducted Saturday, March 23 at the Forest Lawn Memorial Park Hollywood Hills for Eula Mae Fitzgerald of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of Eagles Auxiliary of Van Nuys Aerie 2310.

Mrs. Fitzgerald passed away March 21 at the Kern Valley Hospital. She is survived by her daughter Jane and son in law Carl Gordon of Lake Isabella; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Eula held the office of State mother of Eagles and was a charter member of the Van Nuys Aerie Auxiliary. Locally, Eula was a member of the Grandmothers Club.

Born Feb. 2, 1900 in Oklahoma, Eula Mae Fitzgerald was 91.

Interment at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Hollywood Hills. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

George L. Brown, Jr.

A funeral service was conducted Friday, March 22 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for George L. Brown, Jr. of Des Moines, Iowa. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church, Lake Isabella. Mr. Brown passed away March 17 at Des Moines Methodist Medical Center.

He is survived by father George Brown, Sr. of Baldwin Park; mother Norma Corlis of Bodfish; stepfather Robert Corlis of Bodfish; brother Ken Brown of Riverside; grandmother Claris Lacourse of California.

George Brown, Jr. was born Dec. 25, 1946 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. He was 44 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Claris Esterbrook

A funeral service was held Thursday, March 21 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Claris Norma Esterbrook of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev Louis Fabrizius, pastor of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran church of Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Esterbrook passed away March 14 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital, Bakersfield. She is survived by her sisters Ruth Johason and Agnes D'Entremont both of San Jacinto. Mrs. Esterbrook had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 18 years.

Born May 6, 1917 in South Dakota, Claris Norma Esterbrook was 73 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Mark L. Mershon

Mark Mershon of Bodfish passed away March 25 at the emergency room at Kern Valley Hospital after suffering from a cardiac arrhythmia at home.

He is survived by his parents William and Pauline Mershon of Bodfish; brother David of Bodfish and aunt Harriet Hunter of Ohio.

Mark was raised in Redondo Beach and had moved with his family to the Kern Valley a year ago. He was a graduate of Redondo Beach schools and had trained as a gunsmith. Mark loved the outdoors including hunting and fishing; he was planning to open a gunsmithing shop in the valley.

Born July 13, 1958 in Torrance, CA, Mark Leslie Mershon was 32 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 3, 1991

OBITUARY

Irwin C. Burkhart

A funeral service will be conducted Wednesday, April 3 at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Kernville for Irwin Burkhart of Kernville. Officiating will be Pastor John Revis. Mr. Burkhart passed away March 26 at the Sutter Memorial Hospital, Sacramento.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years Alice of Kernville; son Robert of Kernville; daughter Carol Logsdon of Kernville; stepsons Clyde Cole of Reseda, Bert Alton of Bakersfield; sister Elizabeth of Texas; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Irwin Burkart was a building contractor for many years and built numerous homes and buildings throughout the state.

Born Nov. 11, 1915 in Butler, TX, near the Oklahoma-Texas line, Irwin Clyde Burkhart was 75 years of age. Interment at Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Claude D. Baker

A memorial service was conducted Friday, March 29 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for Claude Baker of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev John Revis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kernville.

Mr. Baker passed away March 24 at home following illness. He is survived by his wife of 53 years Clara of Lake Isabella; sons Art of Florida, Lloyd of Chatsworth, Carl of El Paso, Texas; daughter Ethel Baker of Thousand Oaks, daughter Elizabeth Chavez of Bakersfield; 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Born April 30, 1913 in Bayfield, Colorado, Claude Dallas Baker was 77 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Interment of cremated remains at Greenlawn Cemetery Bakersfield.

Wednesday
Apr. 3, 1991

OBITUARY

Chester Charlton

Chester (Chet) Charlton died at home in Kernville on March 23. He was born July 7, 1922 in Marion, Virginia and retired from the Naval Weapons Center, China Lake in 1974.

Chet was active in community affairs, conservation organizations both local and national. He took part in the formation of the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation and served as a board member of that body.

Chet is survived by his wife, Lorna; son Chester Scott Charlton of Santa Cruz, CA; daughters Sue Ellen Charlton of Fresno and Margaret Pedroni of Mendocino County; grandsons Benjamin Charlton Pedroni and Jesse Alan Charlton; brothers Brainard, Thomas and Robert Charlton of Virginia.

Chet will be missed by family members and friends in Missouri, Virginia and California and other states.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, April 20 at 11:30 a.m. at the Kernville United Methodist Church, at the corner of Sirretta Street and Big Blue Road. A buffet luncheon will follow.

Commemorative gifts can be made to: the Forest Alliance, P.O. Box 922, Kernville, CA 93238 or the Kern River Valley Hospice of St. John, Drawer O, Wofford Heights, CA 93285.

Wednesday
Apr. 10, 1991

OBITUARY -

Clarence Brown

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Tuesday, April 2 at the St. Jude parish Catholic Church for Clarence George Brown of Wofford Heights. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony G. Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish. Mr. Brown passed away March 30 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife Lois of Wofford Heights; son David of Malibu; daughter Sharon Markarian of Palmdale; mother Agnes Brown of Irvine; brothers William "Bill" Brown of Wofford Heights, Kenneth Brown of Lake Tahoe; sister Mary Giraldin of Irvine, and grandchildren.

Clarence Brown was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy who served aboard the destroyers USS Willses (DD441) and USS Higbee (DD896) in the Pacific and Eastern Mediterranean, during his military service Clarence Brown earned five Bronze battle stars. Here in the Kern River Valley, Clarence was a member of the VFW KRV Post 7665 and was formerly a manager of the Elks Lodge.

Born March 23, 1922 in Baltimore, Maryland, Clarence George Brown was 69 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Graveside blessing and prayers by Monsignor Herdegen. Military honors by officers and members of VFW Post 7665. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 10, 1991

OBITUARY

Edward Boyer

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Monday, April 8 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church for Edward Boyer of Southlake. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish. Mr. Boyer passed away April 4 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years Isabell of Southlake; sons Robert of Hermosa Beach, Edward, Jr. of Spokane, WA; brothers Robert and Thomas both of Pennsylvania; sisters Florence and Rosella also of Pennsylvania; 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Eddie Boyer was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served in the infantry during the European invasion. He was wounded in combat in France following the Normandy Landings. Eddie came to California from his native Pennsylvania in 1944.

Eddie Boyer was a life member of the DAV and a member of VFW he had held officer posts with Chapter 54 Kern River Valley Disabled American Veterans. Born April 15, 1915 in Scottdale, Pennsylvania, Edward Joseph Boyer was 75

Altha M. Shaw

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Saturday, April 13 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic church for Altha M. Shaw of Havilah. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, pastor of St. Jude Parish.

Mrs. Shaw passed away April 8 at a Bakersfield hospital.

She is preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Ross, deceased in 1978 and survived by her sister Betty Jane Browser and brother Howard Douglas both of Detroit and friend Velma Allard of Bodifsh.

Altha Shaw was a member of the St. Jude Parish Catholic church and had been a resident of Havilah for 25 years.

Born July 27, 1901 in Detroit, Michigan. Altha Marie Shaw was 89 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Kenneth Torres

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Wednesday April 10 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church for Kenneth Torres of Mt. Mesa. Celebrant of the Mass was Monsignor John Esquivel, Pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Bakersfield.

Mr. Torres passed away April 7 at Kern Valley Hospital, following illness. He is survived by his mother Beckie of Mt. Mesa; grandparents Frank and Lupe Figueroa of Mt. Mesa; brother Bobby of Redondo Beach. Richard of Mt. Mesa; uncles Frank Figueroa, Jr. of Mt. Mesa and Greg Figueroa of Lake Isabella.

Kenneth Torres was a 1990 graduate of Kern Valley High School.

Born Jan. 13, 1972 in Merced, California, Kenneth Christopher Torres was 19 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Jewell M. Woolard

A funeral service was conduced Monday, April 15 for Jewell Woolard of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. David Snow, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lake Isabella. Mrs. Woolard passed away at home April 11 following illness.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Harold of Wofford Heights; sons Richard of Las Vegas, Wayne of Ontario; daughter Patricia of Las Vegas; sister Pearl Horn of Muldrow, Oklahoma; sister in law Reba Wyckoff of Mt. Mesa; brother Warren Wyckoff of West Plains, Missouri; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Jewell was a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Born Jan. 30, 1914, Jewell Minnie Woolard was 77 years of age. Interment at Kern Valley Cemetery , Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Joyce Dowell

A funeral service was conducted Monday, April 1 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Royal Joyce Dowell of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. Jerry Ruff, pastor of the Foursquare Gospel Church, Wofford Heights. Mrs. Dowell passed away March 28 at the Kern Medical Center Hospital.

She is preceded in death by her husband Edward Dowell deceased in 1985. She is survived by her mother Pauline Robinson of Arizona, daughters Cathy Sevier of Bakersfield; Frankie Beaird of Oklahoma, Mildred Hart of Oklahoma; stepdaughter Bernice Bivens of Bakersfield; son Odell Henderson of Bakersfield; sister Mildred Adkins of California; brothers Henry, Kenneth, George, Lesley and Walter Robinson all of Arizona and Clifford Robinson of Bakersfield, 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Dowell had resided for many years in Johnsondale, where Mr. Dowell worked for the Mt. Whitney Lumber Co.

Born Feb. 7, 1929 in Leflore County, Oklahoma, Royal Joyce Dowell was 62 years of age. Interment at Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 24, 1991

OBITUARY

Patrick Chatelle

A Mass for the Repose of the soul of Patrick J. Chatelle was celebrated Saturday, April 20 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church. Celebrant of the mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, Pastor of the St. Jude Parish.

Mr. Chatelle passed away April 12 at home in Lake Isabella.

He is preceded in death by his wife Madeline, deceased in 1980. He is survived by his son Rene Chatelle of Lawndale; daughters Monica Chatelle of Reno, Nevada; Adrienne Chatelle of Lake Isabella; Karen Chatelle of Lawndale; Patsy Row of Lake Isabella; Master Sgt. Madeline Curtis serving with the U.S. Air Force 62nd Military Airlift Wing at McChord AFB Tacoma, WA; and Irene Ferraro of Torrance; more than 30 grandchildren and many great grandchildren; his beloved niece Dawn Buono of Seneca, NY; his nephew Eddie Chatelle and his wife of Victoria, British Columbia and friends Bob Krause and Bill Wilson.

Patrick Chatelle was retired from Hughes Aircraft after 23 years. He was a volunteer in the Meals on Wheels program. Back in Montreal, Canada, he played hockey for his high school.

Born Feb. 28, 1916, in Montreal, Canada, Patrick Joseph Chatelle was 75 years.

Wednesday
Apr. 24, 1991

OBITUARY

Stuart Lehman

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery for Stuart Lehman of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers and members of VFW KRV Post 7665, KRV Chapter 54 of the Disabled American Veterans and Post 711 of the American Legion of the Kern Valley. Mr. Lehman passed away April 17 at the U.S. Veterans Hospital in Fresno after a long illness.

He is preceded in death by his wife Esther deceased in 1978 and survived by his stepson Donald Brown and wife Dorothy of Lake Isabella and grandson Donald.

Stuart Lehman was a U.S. Navy veteran of both WW I and WW II. He had held officer posts in all of the Veteran organizations of the Kern Valley including American Veterans of WWI, now inactive due to the loss of members due to age. It is believed that Stuart Lehman was the last surviving member of that organization.

Wednesday
Apr. 24, 1991

OBITUARY

Beulah M. Sandberg

Beulah Sandberg of Wofford Heights passed away at home on April 5.

She is preceded in death by her husband Kenneth Sandberg deceased in 1967 and survived by her daughters Louise McIntyre of Wofford Heights, Wanda Lynch of Merriam, Kansas, Shirley Herrick of Littleton, Colorado; sister Evelyn Ward of Alexandria, Louisiana; brother Raphael; 13 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Beulah Sandberg was retired from the U.S. Civil Service and had worked for the U.S. Army Hospital at Fort Logan, Colorado. She had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 12 years.

Born Nov. 6, 1903 in Arnaudville, Louisiana, Beulah Marcelene Sandberg was 87 years of age.

Lawrence Beach

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, April 25 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Lawrence "Larry" Beach of Bodfish. Officiating were chaplains of the U.S. Navy China Lake, KRV Post 7665 and DAV chapter 54. Mr. Beach passed away April 22 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years Pauline Beach; daughter Sherry Lynn Goodrich and husband Charles of Montana; daughter Kathy Ann Bauch of Texas; granddaughters Christine, Jenny and Kimberly.

Larry Beach was retired after nearly 30 years of active duty with the U.S. Navy "Seabees". He served during WW II, Korea and two tours of duty in Vietnam. Larry Beach was a Mason and a member of the Masonic Blue Lodge, the Lake Isabella Shrine Club. He was a member of the Kern Valley Search and Rescue where he held the rank of Lieutenant. Larry was also a member of St. John the Baptist Lodge No. 12.

He was a member of both the VFW and the DAV.

Born Sept. 6, 1922 in Allen, Allegheny County, New York, Lawrence Henry Beach was 68 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella. Military honors rendered at the Mortuary Chapel by U.S. Naval Honor Guard and memorial team from NWC China Lake.

Wednesday
May 1, 1991

OBITUARY

Rubye Mae Shrode

A funeral service was held Thursday, April 25 at 2 p.m. at the First Church of the Nazarene in Lake Isabella for Rubye Mae Shrode of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Oren Ice. Interment followed Friday, April 26 at Rose Hills Whittier, CA.

Rubye was born Oct. 30, 1897 in San Marcos, Texas and died April 20 in Bakersfield. She was 93 years old. She is survived by her sons Elton Shrode of Lake Isabella; Bob Shrode of Lake Isabella; daughters Nelda Bartell of Lake Isabella, Marcella Moore of Lake Isabella; brother Tom Hacker of Chico; sisters Grace Gunstream of Washington, Zulema Kopitzki of Ontario; 12 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and four great- great grandchildren. Rubye was a 25 year resident of the Kern Valley.

Eugenia Mary Snooks

A Mass for the repose of the soul of Eugenia Mary Snooks was celebrated Friday, April 26 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church. Celebrant of the mass was Monsignor Anthony G. Herdegen, Pastor of the St. Jude Parish. Mrs. Snooks passed away April 22 at Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband Walter of Mt. Mesa; sons Neil of Buena Park, Michael of Chino, Steven of Riverside; daughter Nancy of Los Angeles; brother Earl Cote of Michigan; sisters Doris De vore of Florida, Ruth Muir of Florida; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Euginia Mary Snooks was a member of the grandmothers Club and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 13 years. Born Oct. 5, 1919 in Massachusetts. Mrs. Snooks was 71 years of age. Cremation arrangements of Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
May 1, 1991

OBITUARY

Homer Bradley

A funeral service was conducted Saturday April 20 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for Homer Bradley of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor of the Mountain View Southern Baptist Church, Lake Isabella. Mr. Bradley passed away at home on April 17. He is survived by his wife of 47 years Maryella of Lake Isabella; daughters Kathy of Bakersfield and Judy of Gainesville, Florida; two sister, Alice Jones and Norma Kessler both reside in Derby, Kansas, Homer Bradley was a machinist who during WW II, worked for Boeing airplane company in Wichita, Kansas building bombers.

Homer Bradley was a member of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church and a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 11 years. Born April 16, 1913 in Hugo, Lincoln County, Colorado. Homer Bradley was 78 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights.

Wednesday
May 8, 1991

OBITUARY

Samuel P. Adams

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, May 2 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Mt. Mesa for Samuel Plezzie "Sam" Adams of Bodfish. Officiating were officers of the Kern River Valley Masonic Lodge No 827 with eulogy and prayers by Bishop Fred Hartwell and family members. Mr. Adams passed away April 28 at Mercy Hospital, Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years Tolbert Leah "Toby" Adams of Bodfish; sons John Robert Adams of Canyon Country, Keith Adams of Bakersfield, Samuel Jr. of Whittier, William "Bill" Adams of Lake Isabella; 17 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; brother Brady Adams of Phoenix City, Alabama; sister Goldie Lavell of Millbrook, Alabama.

Sam Adams was a well known locksmith for many years in the Kern River Valley. Operating as "Adams Locksmith", a business that is still operating by his son Bill. Prior to moving to the Kern Valley, Sam Adams worked for more than 33 years for the Southern Pacific Railway; retiring as a yardsmaster of the Los Neitos Rail Yard in Santa Fe Springs, moving to the Kern River Valley, he served as secretary of the KRV Golf Club for 8 years. Sam was a member of KRV Masonic Lodge No .827, the Bakersfield Scottish Rite bodies and the LDS church of Mt. Mesa. He was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Born April 10, 1918 in Columbus, Muskogee County, Georgia, Samuel Plezzie Adams was 73 years of age. Internment at the Kern Valley cemetery with graveside prayers and dedication by Keith Adams and Doug England. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 8, 1991

OBITUARY

Algier Harris

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, April 27 at the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church, Lake Isabella for Algier "Al" Harris of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor. Mr. Harris passed away April 27 at the Alliance Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield.

He is survived by his brothers Marvin of Houston, Texas, Carl of Bell Gardens, Gene of Mt. Mesa; son Craig of Wisconsin; grandsons Matthew and Joe of West Allis, Wisconsin and niece Donna Harris of Lake Isabella.

For the past nine years, Algier Harris had worked as a volunteer kitchen worker for the Kern River Valley senior nutrition program at the senior center. He received numerous awards for his more than 8,000 hours of volunteer labor. He was a member of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church, the Sideband Club and the NRA.

Born Feb. 22, 1919 in Troup, Texas, Algier Lee Harris was 76 years old. Internment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 8, 1991

OBITUARY

Mamie Lillio

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Friday, May 3 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Mamie Lillio of Kernville. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, Pastor of the St. Jude Parish. Mrs. Lillio passed away May 1 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

She is preceded in death by her husband Joseph deceased in 1970 and survived by her son Joseph of Granada Hills; daughters Arlene "Lee" Vradenburg of Kernville, Joanne Branford of San Diego; 12 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Mamie was a member of the St. Jude Parish Catholic church and was an active member of the St. Jude Altar Society. She had been a resident for 21 years of the Valley. Born Feb. 4, 1904 in Los Angles, Mamie Llillio was 87 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery with graveside blessing by Monsignor Herdegen. Arrangements: Valley mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 8, 1991

OBITUARY

Ida Spencer

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Monday, May 6 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic church for Ida Spencer of Mt. Mesa. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish.

Mrs. Spencer passed away May 2 at home following long illness.

She is survived by her husband of 23 years Ambrose W. "Spence" Spencer. Ida was retired from San Dimas Unified School District.

Born Oct. 7, 1905 in Obenhauser, Germany, Dia Koller Spencer was 85 years of age. Interment at the Hillcrest Memorial Park , Bakersfield. Arrangements, Valley Mortuary.

Harriett Hatlestad

A memorial service was conducted Thursday, May 2 at the KRV Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights for Harriet K. Hatlestad of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Hatlestad passed away April 25 at the Pacific Regency Convalescent Hospital, Bakersfield

She is survived by her husband Harold of Wofford Heights; sons Mike Gilman of Washington, Jame Kimpton of Corona; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Harriett was a registered nurse who worked at Kern Valley Hospital as chief nurse of the emergency room. She was a member of the Ladies of the Elks.

Born Dec. 4, 1916 in Canon City, Colorado, Harriet Kimpton Hatlesltad was 74 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 8, 1991

OBITUARY

Doris Heath

A funeral service was conducted at the Memorial Chapel of the Golden Gate United States National Cemetery San Bruno, California for Doris Heath of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Heath passed away April 28 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital Bakersfield. Officiating at the service was Joel Astor.

Mrs. Heath is preceded in death by her husband Master Sergeant Roy Heath deceased in 1960 and survived by her sister Lulu Morris of Lake Isabella, step daughter Pat Ross of Oregon, nephew Gene Shorb of Hiawatha, Kansas, Doris Heath was a member of the travel club known as "Loners on Wheels". She had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past two years.

Born Feb. 2, 1906 in Hiawatha, Brown County, Kansas, Doris Ethel Heath was 85 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 15, 1991

OBITUARY

John Edward Boland

A memorial service was held Friday, May 10 at the Kern Valley moose Lodge in Lake Isabella for John Edward Boland, 73, of Wofford Heights. Officiating were the officers of the Moose Lodge No 498.

Mr. Boland was born Dec. 15, 1917 in Tonawanda, New York and died May 6 in Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years Phyllis Boland of Wofford Heights, his sons John Wayne Boland of Buffalo, New York, Richard Prosser of Texas, daughter Carol Ely of Wofford Heights and five great grandchildren. Mr. Boland was a member of the Moose Lodge 498 and 11 year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Donald Eugene Travers

Private services were held for Donald Eugene Travers of Weldon Mr Travers was born Dec. 5, 1927 in Hollywood, CA and died May 8 in Bakersfield. He was 63 years old.

He is survived by his son Mitchell Travers of Weldon; brother Ernest Travers of Lake Isabella. Mr. Travers was a 22 year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
May 15, 1991

OBITUARY

Hans Ernest Rau

A memorial service was held Friday, May 10 for Hans Ernest Rau of Kernville. Officiating were officers of the Elks Lodge 2358. Mr. Rau was born April 3, 1910 in Germany and died May 2 in Kernville at his residence. He was 81 years old. He emigrated to this country at the age of 14 and became a citizen as a young adult. Hans spent 11 years in the U.S. Army, joining at the onset of WWII. His army career saw him attain the rank of Sgt. and allowed him many assignments as an agent of the CID, but his love was photography. He became General McArthur's staff photographer and many of his photos were published in Life Magazine.

After he left the army in 1953, Hans became a cartographer for Fairchild Aerial in Los Angeles. His career spanned assignments with several surveying and engineering firms until his retirement from Teledyne Geotronics in Dec., 1972.

He is survived by his former wife Barbara Kritzer of Banning, brother Henry in New York and niece Barbara Parker of Montebello. He also leaves family in Europe. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
May 15, 1991

OBITUARY

Gladys V. Cunningham

A graveside service was held may 8 at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Gladys Virginia Cunningham of Wofford Heights. Officiating was pastor Jack Dilley of the Kern Valley Bible church.

Mrs. Cunningham was born July 12, 1921 in Mineral Wells, Texas she was 69 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years James Cunningham of Wofford Heights; son Curtis Cunningham of Joshua Tree, brother George Ensey of Bodfish, sisters Evelyn Baker of Washington, Elizabeth Watson of Texas, grandsons Kelly Smith, Craig Cunningham, Keven Cunningham great grandson Cameron Smith. Honorary pall bearers were Ken Davis, John Dean, Ben Reed, Don Murdock, Dave Hardy, Sherman James

James D. Sharp

Private services were held for James Sharp of Wofford Heights. Mr. Sharp was born July 16, 1905 in Elk Valley Tennessee and died May 4 in Bakersfield. He was 85 years old.

He is survived by his wife Ruth of Wofford Heights son Ron Sharp of Covina, 2 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren, 4 sisters and 1 brother of Marion, Texas.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Vivian V. Johnson

A funeral service was conducted Thursday May 16 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Vivian Johnson of Bodfish. Officiating were officers of the KRV Chapter 643 Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Johnson passed away May 13 at the St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center in Long Beach.

She is preceded in death by her first husband Oscar Hansen, deceased in 1973 and second husband Melvin Johnson deceased in 1982. Vivian is survived by her daughter and son in law Peggy and Jack Marks of Cypress, son and daughter in law Walter and Jackie Hansen of Missouri, grandchildren Jana and Adam Hansen, Dirk and Donna Marks, step grandchildren Susan and Daryl Johnson; sister and brother Mildred Hudson and M.D. Kite.

Vivian was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, Bodfish Beamers, Douglas El Segundo Rod and Gun Club and Order of Eastern Star. She was retired from McDonnell Douglas Corp where she worked as a telephone operator for more than 30 years.

Vivian had worked as hostess for the Paradise Cove Restaurant for nearly 10 years before finally retiring.

Born Nov. 16, 1909 in Lincoln, Nebraska, where she attended teacher's college, Vivian Velma Johnson was 81 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley where graveside eulogy and prayers were delivered by Bo Williams, Dirk Marks and Betty Costa. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society in memory of Vivian Johnson will be greatly appreciated by her family.

Wednesday
May 22, 1991

OBITUARY

Francis Bernice DeGaynor

A graveside service was held Tuesday, May 14 at the Kern Valley cemetery for Francis Bernice DeGaynor of Weldon. Officiating was pastor John Carpenter of the First church of the Nazarene in Lake Isabella.

Mrs. DeGaynor was born Dec 7, 1907 in Wisconsin and died May 10 in Mt Mesa. She was 83 years old. She is survived by her friends Tom and Reba Landrum of Weldon.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

James Sharp

James D. (Charlie) Sharp was born July 16, 1905 in Elk Valley, Tennessee and died on May 5 at the San Joaquin Hospital in Bakersfield.

His father homesteaded land in New Mexico in 1912, bringing his family to live in New Mexico. Charlie served a four year apprenticeship in machine welding with the Santa Fe Railroad Co. He later opened his own machine shop in El Monte, which turned into a 20 year business. He worked in a defense plant during WWII.

Charlie met and married Ruth Loy in 1929 and had one son Ronald.

Charlie is survived by a sister Effie Little of Fresno, Ella Glenn of Texas, Flo Murray of Homeland and Irene Stanfield of New Mexico; brother Marian Sharp, of Texas and one brother in law, Guy Oakes of La Habra and two granddaughters, a great granddaughter and great grandson.

Charlie was a member of the Baptist Church in Lake Isabella and charter member of the Dam Dancers for 26 years. He was active until recently.

Wednesday
May 22, 1991

OBITUARY

Esther Thelma French

A memorial service was held Saturday, May 11 at 2 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Esther Thelma French of Bodfish. Officiating were the officers of the VFW Auxiliary.

Mrs. French was born Aug. 17, 1915 in Pennsylvania and died May 3 in Mt. Mesa. She was 75 years old.

She is survived by her daughter Sandra Boxley of Bakersfield. Interment will be at the U.S. National Cemetery, Riverside with her husband.

Mrs. French was a 20 year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Herbert Guyse

A memorial service will be conducted Wednesday, May 22 at 10 a.m at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Herbert Guyse of Lake Isabella. Officiating will be Rev. David Snow, Pastor.

Mr. Guyse passed away May 14 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Ethel of Lake Isabella; stepdaughter Janet McBride of La Mirada; sister Naomi Barrett of Los Angeles. Herb Guyse was a Master Mason and a member of the Masonic Lodge of Westchester. He was a member of the 55 plus club and First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. During WWII, Herb served with the U.S. Marine Corps.

Born May 25, 1912 in Billings, Yellowstone County, Montana, Herbert William was 78 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Melrose Abbey Memorial Park, Anaheim. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Blanche C. Turner

A memorial service was conducted at the Weldon Baptist Church on Saturday, May 25 for Blanche C. Turner of Fresno formerly of the Kern Valley. Officiating was Rev. J.P. "Robbie" Robinson, pastor. Mrs. Turner passed away May 15 at the Fresno Community Hospital. She is survived by sons Bill Goolsby of Georgia, Rod Claridge of Fresno, Chuck Turner of Thousand Oaks, David Turner of Camino, daughter Laurie Nicely of Linton, Indian, brothers Leroy Smith of Oregon, Richard Smith of Duncanville, Texas; sisters Kay Jones and Margaret Barnett both of Bakersfield; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Blanche was a member of the Weldon Baptist Church. Born July 17, 1918 in Texas, Blanche C. Turner was 72 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Alice S. Osborn

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights for Alice Rosemary Osborn of Kernville. Officiating was Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, pastor of St. Jude Parish Catholic Church. Mrs. Osborn passed away May 21 at Mercy Hospital, Bakersfield.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years Clifford of Kernville; sons Clifford "Skip" Osborn of Tehachapi, Roy Osborn of Agua Dulce, granddaughters Christina, Marlena and Heather; sister Helen Sweet of Lake Isabella. Alice was a member of the Clandiggers Geneology Club and wrote the Clandiggers articles that appeared in the Sun. Born Sept. 23, 1924 in Driscoll, North Dakota, Alice Osborn was 66 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 29, 1991

OBITUARY

Audrey Love

A memorial service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights for Audrey Love of Wofford Heights. Officiating were officers of KRV Post 711 American Legion, Post 7665 Veterans of Foreign Wars and Chapter 54 of Disabled American Veterans.

Audrey, known to her friends and family as "Mic" passed away May 16 at the U.S. Veterans Administration Hospital. Prayers and eulogy were presented by Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the Highland Chapel, United Methodist Church.

She is survived by sisters Mary Brady of Danville, PA; Gloria Davies of Santa Maria, Ca; LucilleMulligan of Wofford Heights; favorite nieces Melanie Kirk of Shady Cove, OR; Roberta Seib of Porterville; Anne Collier of Chino Hills and Mary Collier of Walnut; Godson Mark Clements of Crescent City as well as numerous other neices and nephews.

Audrey Love was a WW II veteran and a member and former Adjutant of American Legion Post 711 a member of the Eagles Auxiliary, Women of the Moose, KRV C.Ber's and former member of the Douglas El Segundo Rod & Gun Club

Born June 6, 1921 in Riverside, Pennsylvania, Audrey Love was 69 years of age.

Wednesday
May 29, 1991

OBITUARY

Ruben Anthony Arias

Ruben Arias passed away May 16 in Los Angeles, following a long illness. He was a 20 year resident of the Kern Valley, and a 1977 graduate of Kern Valley High School.

Born March 26, 1959 in Gardena, he was 32 years old.

Survivors include his father and mother Frank and Virginia Arias of Bodfish; daughter, Liebra Arias of Bodfish; brother Rudy Arias of Covina; sisters Celia Dominguez of Riverside, Frances Anthony of Ridgecrest, Virginia Huggins of Tehachapi, Ester Flemings of Hanford; six nieces and six nephews.

Cremation arrangements by Zook Mortuary, Monrovia.

Wednesday
June 5, 1991

OBITUARY

Willis "Lanky" Lankford

A funeral service was conducted Friday, May 31 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for W.E. "Lanky" Lankford of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of KRV Post 7665 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW); with eulogy and prayers by Bishop Gordon Smith, Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints. Mr. Lankford passed away at home May 28 following illness.

He is survived by his wife Imogene of Lake Isabella; daughter and son in law Sharon and Gordon Smith of Oregon; daughter and son in law Carla and Neil Larsen of Washington; son James Lankford of California; sister Melba Banks of Stillwater, OK; grandchildren Brittany, Garett, Morgan, Erin, Jennifer, James and Ann Marie.

Lanky was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps who served in the South Pacific. He was retired from the Los Angeles Police Dept. after 26 years of service mainly in the Hollywood Division. Lanky was a member of the Moose, Eagles and a life member of the VFW.

He had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 13 years. Born Jan. 15, 1921 in Lorena, Texas, Willis Eurskin Lankford was 70 years of age.

Wednesday
June 5, 1991

OBITUARY

Robert Tucker

A memorial service was conducted Wednesday, May 29 at the Valley Chapel in Lake Isabella for Robert Tucker of Southlake. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, Pastor of the Valley Community church in Lake Isabella. Mr. Tucker passed away May 25 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield. He is survived by his wife Lorena of Southlake; sons Michael Tucker of Ridgecrest, Bruce Miller of Canada, Michael Miller of Wofford Heights; daughters Nancy of Simi Valley, Valerie of Santa Barbara, Diane of Simi Valley and Laurie also of Simi Valley and 18 grandchildren; one brother Frank Tucker of Riverside.

Bob Tucker was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Navy and a member of the Moose. He was a civil engineer, whose firm R.N. Tucker and Associates of Ridgecrest engineered many of the public buildings in Eastern Kern County including many of the churches.

Born May 23, 1934 in Seattle, Washington, Robert Nathan Tucker was 57 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 5, 1991

OBITUARY -

Thelma Bennett

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 29 in the Kern Valley Masonic Temple in Kernville for Thelma Bennett, 77, of Mt. Mesa, who passed away May 25 at her home. Officiating were officers of KRV chapter 643, Order of Eastern Star.

She was born Nov. 29, 1913 at Maricopa, CA where she attended school through high school. She attended USC and went to work for the Taft Union High School and College District, where she worked for 30 years. She met her husband Bill in 1954 in Taft and they were married Sept. 8, 1956.

She was a member and past Matron of the KRV Chapter 643, Order of the Eastern Star and a past president of Homitau Chapter, Order of Golden Slipper. She is survived by her husband Bill and four step children and their families.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Memorial donations may be made to the J. Clifford Lee Memorial Cancer Fund or the Knights Templare Eye Foundation.

Wednesday
June 5, 1991

OBITUARY

Jules Arguin

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday, May 28 at the Eagles Lodge, Mt. Mesa for Jules Arguin of Southlake. Officiating were officers of KRV Eagles Aerie 3156. Mr. Arguin passed away at home May 23 following illness. He is survived by his wife Denise of Southlake, brothers Maurice, Real, Claude, all of Montreal, Canada; brother Denis of El Cajon, brother Roger of Santa Ana, sister Estelle Frabisilio of Lake Isabella, mother Juliette Arguin of Montreal.

Jules was a veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and worked as a meat cutter for the James Station Store in Southlake. Born Aug. 8, 1933 in Quebec, Canada, Jules Joseph Gean-Charles Arguin was 57 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Bud Adams

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday June 4 at the KRV Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights for Theodore Pershing "Bud" Adams of Wofford Heights. Officiating were officers of KRV Elks Lodge 2358 BPOE. Mr. Adams passed away May 31 at Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa. He is survived by his sister Helen Gonnella of Wofford Heights and brother Morris Adams of Kissamee, Florida.

Born Dec. 1, 1918 in St. Louis, Missouri, Theodore "Bud" Adams was 72 years of age.

Scattering of cremated remains in the scattering garden of the Kern Valley cemetery.

Wednesday
June 12, 1991

OBITUARY

Elizabeth (Liz) Anna Crowder

Graveside service was held Friday, June 7 at Kern Valley Cemetery for Elizabeth Anna Crowder, 76, who passed away June 3. Jerry Ruff, pastor of the Foursquare Family Life Church officiated.

Elizabeth was born March 25, 1915 in Bakersfield to William and Adeline (Petersen) Fugitt, early Kern Valley pioneering families. She attended grade school at Isabella and graduated from Bakersfield High School.

Elizabeth's life was spent caring for her family and many friends who were alone or ill. Her love for her entire family was always in her heart without the necessity of words, as was the love of her family for her. Bingo was one of her favorite past times and she spent many hours enjoying it with friends.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her husband, M.L., sister Mildred Stubblefield and grandson Doug Crowder. Elizabeth is survived by three sons and their wives, Bob and Lois, Don and Marty of Bakersfield Ron and Carole of Kernville; sister and brother in law, Adeline and Harvey Malone of Kernville; grandchildren, Brad and Ronnie Crowder, Crissy Schweitzer of Bakersfield and Beverly Kretzers of Ojai; six great grandchildren and countless relatives and friends.

If desired, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society in lieu of flowers.

Wednesday
June 12, 1991

OBITUARY

George Hart

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, June 8 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for George Hart of Mt. Mesa. Prayers and eulogy were delivered by family and friends. Mr. Hart passed away June 4 at home following illness.

He is preceded in death by son George T. Hart deceased in August, 1988. Mr. Hart is survived by daughter Leslie May Picton of Simi Valley; sister Margaret Dixon of Torrance; brother Leroy Hart of Wagy Flats; mother Frances Pearl Lobush of Torrance and two grandsons. George M. Hart was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was a member of KKRV Moose No. 948. Born Dec. 30, 1925 in Los Angeles, George Marvin Hart was 65 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Rose Hills Memorial Park Cemetery, Whittier. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 19, 1991

OBITUARY

Wednesday
June 19, 1991

OBITUARY

Joe Stith

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, June 22 at noon at the United Methodist Church in Weldon for Joseph "Joe" Stith of Weldon. Mr. Stith passed away at home June 11 following illness. He is survived by his wife Frances "Francy" of Weldon; parents James and Nettie Stith of Lake Isabella; daughter Joleen of Weldon and a student at Kern Valley High; sons Steven of Hemet, Joseph and daughter in law Vicki of West Jordan, Utah; granddaughter Britny of Utah and grandson Cameron of Utah.

Joe Stith operated a trucking company in the Los Angeles area before moving to the Kern Valley. He had been a valley resident for the past five years.

Born Jan. 31, 1938 in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois, Joseph Edward Stith was 53 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

William Kelley

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday June 18 at the Masonic Temple Kernville for William Kelley of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of KRV Masonic Lodge. No 827.

Mr. Kelley passed away June 8 at Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years Annie of Lake Isabella. William Kelley was a U.S. Navy veteran of WW II. He was a Master Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite. Born June 14, 1908 in Bowie, Texas, William Maxwell Kelley was 82.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

James T. Brisbois

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at the St. Jude Parish Catholic church, Wofford Heights on Friday, June 14 for James Brisbois of Kernville. Celebrant of the mass was Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen, Pastor of the St. Jude Parish. Mr. Brisbois passed away June 10 at home.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years Dalma of Kernville, parents Herb and Anne Brisbois of Michigan; sons Herb of San Fernando Valley and Doug also of San Fernando Valley; daughters Diane and Debra; brothers Bob and Richard, both of Michigan; sisters Maryann Sennett of Florida, Jane Vaill, Kate LaBute and Helen Lorence all of Michigan.

Jim Brisbois was a U.s. Air Force veteran who served during the Korean Conflict. He was retired from the Los Angeles Police Department where he worked in the vehicle repair section. He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 10 years.

Born May 15, 1928 in Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, James Thomas Brisbois was 63.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Justina Pankratz

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, June 15 at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Justina Pankratz of Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Rev. David Snow, pastor.

Mrs. Pankratz passed away June 10 at Kern Medical Center in Bakersfield.

She is survived by her husband John of Mt. Mesa; daughter Norma Mendenhall of Arizona; sons Leslie of Washington, Jim of Sacramento, Ollie of Van Nuys. Justina was preceded in death by daughter Lillian; two brothers Jake of Michigan and Abe Schierling of Florida, who are Mennonite Missionaries; two sisters Agnes and Mary both of Oklahoma; grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Born Sept. 18, 1905 in Medford, Grant County, Oklahoma, Justina Pankratz was 85 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Elaine L. Schnorr

A funeral service was conducted Friday June 21 at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Lake Isabella for Elaine Schnorr of Weldon, officiating was Rev. Louis Fabrizius, Paster.

Mrs. Schnorr passed away June 16 at the emergency room of the Kern Valley Hospital after being suddenly stricken by a heart attack at the home of a friend. She is survived by her Daughter Darlene Turner of Norco, Sons Robert of Norco, Gerald of Washington State, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Elaine is preceded in death by her husband Clifford deceased Sept. 25, 1975.

Born Jan. 26, 1921 in Brown County, So. Dakota, Elaine Louise Schnorr was 70 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangement: Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Dorothy B. Wood

A funeral service was conducted Saturday June 22 at the United Methodist Church Kernville for Dorothy Wood of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor.

Mrs. Wood passed away June 19 at the Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield. She is survived by her Daughter, Loretta Drott of Orange, Crystal Jordan of Santa Barbara, Son George R. Wood III of Plano, Texas, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Dorothy was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Grandmothers Club, El Segundo Rod & Gun Club and Ladies of the Elks. Donations to The Dorothy Wood Memorial c/o Westmont College Santa Barbara, CA 93108 will be greatly appreciated. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
June 26, 1991

OBITUARY

Walter Loucks

Walter Loucks, a long time resident of Lake Isabella died on May 22 in La Habra. He was born Oct. 15, 1913.

He is survived by his wife and daughter, three grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Paul F. Vehlewald

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights for Paul P. Vehlewald of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, Pastor of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church, Lake Isabella.

Mr. Vehlewald passed away June 17 at the Kern Valley Hospital Mt. Mesa. He is survived by his wife of 53 years Viola of Wofford Heights, son Donald and daughter in law Pat of Kernville. Brother Ollie of Southlake and two grandchildren.

Paul Vehlewald was a member of the Elks, Moose, Eagles and Senior Citizens. Born July 12, 1910 in Pershing, Missouri, Paul Frederick Vehlewald was 80 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Cemetery. Memorial luncheon provided for family and friends at the KRV Elks Lodge by the Ladies of the Elks following the graveside service. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
June 26, 1991

OBITUARY

Clyde Patrick McGuire

A funeral service was held Monday, June 24 at the Assembly of God church in North Fork, California for Clyde McGuire of North Fork. Officiating was pastor David Wilson.

McGuire passed away June 18 at St. Agnes Hospital in Fresno. He is survived by his mother, Lloree Knowles, longtime resident of Kernville, now of North Fork; sister Robin Ryan of North Fork; brother Jim McGuire of Kernville and two sons, Todd and Danny McGuire of Medford, Oregon.

He was a resident of Kernville for many years and was known for his musical talents and as founder of the Venice-based country blues band, the Canalagators.

Born July 3, 1938 in Los Angeles, Clyde McGuire was 52 years old. Interment at North Fork Cemetery.

Wednesday
July 10, 1991

OBITUARY -

Lawrence G. Kent

A funeral service was conducted graveside in the Old Kern River Valley Cemetary in Wofford Heights for Lawrence G. Kent, 83, of Walker Basin on June 25.

Officiating was Rev. Tom Allred, pastor of the Twin Oaks Community Church in Twin Oaks in Sand Canyon, near Walker Basin.

Mr. Kent passed away on June 20 at the Hardee Memorial Hospital in Wauchula, Hardee County, Florida.

He is preceded in death by his wife Juanita and daughter Lanita. He is survived by his sister Geraldine Thrailkill of Wauchula, Florida, niece and nephews, Bobby Jean and Matt Sugg of Morganfield, Kentucky.

Mr. Kent was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was born Sept. 1, 1907 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
July 10, 1991

OBITUARY

John J. Roller

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Tuesday July 2 at the St. Jude parish Catholic Church for John J. Roller of Lake Isabella. Celebrant of the Mass was Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish.

Mr. Roller passed away June 19 in Ventura County following illness.

He is preceded in death by his wife Edna, deceased Aug. 16, 1990 and survived by four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Born May 7, 1906 in New York, John Joseph Roller was 85 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
July 10, 1991

OBITUARY

Frederick C. Weaver

A funeral service was held Tuesday, July 2 at the Forest Lawn in Glendale for Frederick Charles Weaver. Officiating was Rev. Eric Frey and Rev. Robert Jordan, from the Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove.

He is survived by his father and mother Charles and Louise Weaver and brother Pete Weaver; sister in law Shelly and nephew Timothy Weaver.

Frederick was born Feb. 3, 1952 in Los Angeles and was a resident of Mt. Mesa. He graduated from Kern Valley High in 1970.

Frederick passed away June 30 in Silver Lake. He will be missed by his loving family and friends.

Richard Coleman

Richard E. Coleman, 70, a 12-year resident of Mt. Mesa, died Wednesday, July 3 at Riverside Community Hospital of heart failure. Coleman, a native of Plainfield, NJ, moved to Riverside in 1988 to be closer to family.

He is preceded in death by his brother William "Bill" Coleman, deceased in 1989. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne of Manville, NJ; sister Mary Van Doren of Middlesex, JN; brother David of Forest Park, Georgia; three children Richard and Harold Coleman of Trenton, NJ and Jacqueline Collette of San Bernardino; seven grandchildren and one great grandson and several nieces and nephews.

Coleman was a member of BPO Elks No. 2358, Kern River Valley and the American Legion Post 243, South Plainfield, NJ.

Born Oct. 20, 1920 in Plainfield, New Jersey, Richard Ellsworth Coleman was 70.

On July 8, a memorial service was conducted by the Past Exalted Rulers Association of POE No. 2358 of which he was a member.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
July 17, 1991

OBITUARY

Steven A. Nevares

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, July 16, at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Steven Nevares of Weldon. Officiating was Rev. Jack Dilley, pastor of the Kern Valley Bible Church of Lake Isabella. Steven passed away July 11, the victim of a motor vehicle accident on Highway 178, near Yankee Canyon. He is survived by his parents Dennis and Shelby Nevares of Weldon and grandparents.

Steven was a senior at Kern Valley High School. He was a member of the Broncs football team playing both offense and defense as a running back and outside linebacker. Most recently, Steven served with the Roy Ashburn Campaign Committee during the "Welcome Home to Desert Storm Veterans" event in Kernville.

Born July 1, 1974 in Hawaiian Gardens, California, Steven Nevares was 17 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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Wednesday
July 24, 1991

OBITUARY

Laurette El Vera La Crosse

Laurette El Vera La Crosse passed away at the Kern Valley Hospital on Saturday, July 13. She was born in Chicago, Illinois on July 28, 1930.

Survivors include her husband of 39 years Kenneth; son Douglas La Crosse of Fountain Valley; daughter Lorri La Crosse of Fountain Valley; grandson Jason La Crosse of Fountain; twin sister Betty Whalstrom of Wofford Heights.

Graveside services were held at the Kern Valley Cemetery at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 18 with the Reverend David Snow, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella officiating.

Wednesday
July 31, 1991

OBITUARY

George Edward Virmond

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran church for George Edward Virmond, 77 of Lake Isabella who passed away July 20 in a Bakersfield hospital after a long illness of heart disease. Rev. Louis Fabrezius of the Lutheran Church officiated.

George was a native of Chicago, Illinois and had lived here for the past 20 years. He had been a group leader for over 40 years and was retired from Westinghouse in the Major Production Electrical Repair and worked on many turbines as large as a boxcar. He was a member of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church was an avid golfer and bowler, having entered many tournaments in the Kern Valley. He was a good neighbor by helping the widows of the neighborhood doing repairs on their homes and other needs.

He is survived by his beloved wife Irmgard Virmond of Lake Isabella; son George Virmond of Bakersfield; daughter Sandra Backstrom of Creswood, Illinois; sisters Ella Tomlinson of Lake Isabella and Harriet Hansen of Oaklawn, Illinois. His brother Wilbert Virmond and his wife Helen of Oaklawn, Illinois; grandsons Christopher Virmond of Bridgeview, Illinois, and David Backstrom of Crestwood, IL, granddaughters Dawn Hannafin of Crestwood, IL and Tammy Virmond of Justice, IL; great grandson Edward Hannafin, III and a host of nieces and nephews.

Arrangements by Mish funeral home of Bakersfield.

Wednesday
July 31, 1991

OBITUARY

Lucille Lillian Moore

Lucille Lillian Moore died July 21. She moved to Lake Isabella in 1962 and lived in the valley until moving to Shafter in 1990.

She is survived by her children Violet Ratzlaff of Shafter, Norma Reeves of Yuba City, Jo Ann Northan of Bakersfield and Alvin Moore of Bakersfield; 9 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Lucille Lillian Moore was born Oct. 19, 1911 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. During her years in the valley, she worked as a hairdresser at Darlene's House of Beauty in Lake Isabella. She was well known and will be missed by many.

Mary Copple

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Thursday, Aug. 1 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic church for Mary Copple of Lake Isabella. Co-celebrants of the Mass were Rev. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, pastor of St. Jude Parish and Rev. Father Frank Hernandez, Society of Jesus (Jesuits) of Sacramento.

Mrs. Copple passed away July 28 at the Kern Valley Hospital. She is survived by daughters Anna Hughes of Lake Isabella, Frances Cunningham of Glendale, Betty Smidt of Minnesota, son Rev. Father Frank Hernandez, S.J. with the Physical and Computer Sciences department of Jesuit High School in Carmichael; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Born in California, Feb. 15, 1911, Mary Copple was 80. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Anthony Zordan

A memorial service was held Monday, Aug. 5 at the Valley Mortuary Lake Isabella for Anthony Joseph Tony Zordan of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Lake Isabella. Mr. Zordan passed away July 26 at home.

He is survived by his daughter Anna Zordan of Long Beach and one brother Leon Zordan of Mississippi. Anthony Zordan was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy. Born Aug. 15, 1913 in Springfield, Massachusetts, Anthony J. Zordan was 77.

Interment of cremated remains at the U.S National Cemetery, Riverside. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Aug. 7, 1991

OBITUARY

William A. Curtis

A memorial service was conducted Friday, Aug. 2 at the First Baptist Church in Kernville for William Andrew "Bill-Bill" Curtis of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. John Revis, Pastor.

Mr. Curtis passed away Aug. 1 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Ruth of Wofford Heights; daughter and son in law Mr. and Mrs. Jess Wright of Bodfish; sisters Virginia Ellis of Ventura, Mary Kirkland of Colonial Heights, Virginia; brothers Charles of Virginia and Albert of Texas; seven grandsons David Jacobsen of Las Vegas and Donald Fisher of San Diego; seven great-grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter.

William Curtis was retired after serving 14 years as custodian at Kernville Elementary School where he was known to students and staff as "Bill-Bill". He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for 27 years. Born Jan. 24, 1917 in Wakefield, Virginia, Willliam Andrew Curtis was 74. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

William Pailing

William P. Pailing, 73, a 13-year resident of the Kern Valley died at his home in Yuma, Arizona on July 2. He was born Sept. 21, 1917 in Greenwood, Nebraska.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Elizabeth of Arizona, sons Michael of Bakersfield, Patrick of Auburn and Timothy of Los Angeles; mother Grace of Tarzana; brother James of Anchorage, Alaska; sister Jean Bergstrom of Tarzana; four grandchildren and two step grandchildren.

Wednesday
Aug. 7, 1991

OBITUARY

James Paul Butler

James Paul Butler passed away at his home in Weldon the evening of July 24. He leaves his wife, Charlotte, a daughter, Paula; two grandchildren and one great grandchild. His father and two sons preceded him in death. Paul also leaves four brothers and two sisters plus a 96-year old mother. Paul lacked six weeks of reaching his 70th birthdate. He was born in Oklahoma.

James Paul Butler, like his three brothers, all volunteered for Naval service during World War II. While serving in the Pacific, aboard his aircraft carrier, Jim sustained burns over 40 percent of his body, from enemy action. After a long recuperative period, he was discharged with a 40 percent disability. This disability forced him to ply his trade here in the warm Southern California climate. For 44 years, he operated as an independent contractor, performing his millwright profession, having retired three years ago.

Opal Allen

A Memorial service was conducted Saturday, July 27 at the Lake Isabella Kingdom Hall for Opal Allen of Southlake. Officiating was Mr. Russell Cox. Mrs. Allen passed away July 21 at the Anaheim Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband Louis of Southlake; daughter LaVon Woodley, a grandchild and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Allen had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 11 years.

Born Oct. 30, 1915 in Paxton, Nebraska, Opal Lucille Allen was 75. Interment of cremated remains at the Hillcrest Memorial Park Cemetery, Bakersfield. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
Aug. 7, 1991

OBITUARY -

James C. Mackey

Funeral services were held Saturday, Aug. 10 at the Rainbow Chapel in Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier for James Clyde Mackey, 86, of Lake Isabella who passed away Aug. 7 in Arvin after a brief illness. LaVerne Wilson of the Carmichael Church of Christ officiated with interment following in the Terrace of Hope.

Mr. Mackey was a native of Mulberry, Arkansas and had resided in Lake Isabella for the past nine years. He was a car salesperson and was last employed by Simpson Motors.

Survivors include his widow, Lela of Lake Isabella; son Jay Mackey of Lafayette, CA; daughter Sue Spencer of Long Beach; brother John Mackey of Hask, Oklahoma; sister Beatrice Wilson of Oakdale; 9 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren; 19 step grandchildren, 29 great step grandchildren.

Arrangements by Sams and Son Mortuary, Arvin.

Wednesday
Aug. 14, 1991

OBITUARY

Margaret Carr

Margaret Carr passed away on July 31 at Mercy Hospital, Bakersfield after a long illness. She was 78 years old.

Mrs. Carr was born Margaret Easter Finn in Lewistown, Montana on March 23, 1913 on Easter Sunday. She graduated from Long Beach Polytecnic High School and married Paul Farris Carr on June 9, 1934. Mrs. Carr was a baptised member of the Eastside Christian church in Fullerton. She and he husband lived for many years in Southern California before moving to Lake Isabella in 1980. She was a member of Kaph Chapter of Golden Slipper and an amateur artist.

She is survived by her husband Paul; daughter Carol Berlin of Sea Ranch, CA; sons David Carr of Lake Isabella and Steven Carr of Placentia; three grandchildren, Kathleen Bentley, Scott Carr and Colleen Carr.

Interment was held Aug. 5 at Rose Hills Mortuary in Whittier.

Wednesday
Aug. 14, 1991

OBITUARY

Conan D. Higginson

Mr . Higginson passed away July 28 in the San Fernando Valley. A memorial service will be held Aug. 24 in Agora, Ca.

Doyle and his wife Lois lived in Wofford Heights for more than 20 years. He is survived by his wife Lois, one son and four daughters and 11 grandchildren.

Wednesday
Aug. 21, 1991

OBITUARY

Wednesday
Aug. 21, 1991

OBITUARY

Thomas Stukey

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the United Methodist church in Weldon for Thomas "Tom" Stukey of Squirrel Valley. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the United Methodist church Highland Chapel. Mr. Stukey passed away Aug. 9 at the Memorial Hospital, Hawthorne

He is survived by his wife of 50 years Marian of Squirrel Valley; daughter and son in law Donna Jane and Steve Crossley of Manhattan Beach; son and daughter in law Ronald and Darlene Stukey of Sanger, granddaughters Michelle and Heather Crossley of Manhattan Beach, Karine and Laurie Stukey of Sanger; niece Ann Reel and nephew Jeff Baker.

Tom Stukey was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps where he served as a ground crewman with the famous "Flying Tigers" in the China-Burma Theater of Operations. Mr. Stukey was retired from Rockwell International and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 18 years.

Born Oct. 16, 1919 in Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, Thomas Early Stukey was 71 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Albert Yaeger

A memorial service was conducted Friday, Aug. 16 at the Kern Valley Elks Lodge for Albert J. "Al" Yaeger of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of KRV Elks Lodge No 2358 BPOE.

Mr. Yaeger passed away Aug. 12 at home following illness. He is survived by his wife of 54 years Margaret of Lake Isabella; daughters Karen Ridgeway of Mojave, Janice Westphal of Gilroy, Gretchen Dougan of Yucca Valley, Susan Ickhof of Little Rock; 11 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

Mr. Yaeger was a member of the Elks and Moose and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 11 years. Born in Mattaphan, Mass., Al was 77.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Interment of cremated remains at Kern Valley Cemetery.

Alice Hayes

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, Aug. 10 at the Valley Mortuary chapel, Lake Isabella for Alice Hayes of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor of the Mt. View Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Hayes passed away Aug. 8 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield.

She is preceded in death by her husband Leonard deceased 13 years ago after 41 years of marriage. Alice is survived by three daughters, Marlis Day of Riverside, Carol Cashow of Pennsylvania, Lenora May of Buena Park, sisters Luella Halseth and Delores Layton both of South Dakota; 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Born June 23, 1917 in South Dakota, Alice Rose Hayes was 74.

Interment at the Hillcrest Memorial park in Bakersfield. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Dorothy Harness

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Aug. 15 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Dorothy Harness of Bodfish. Officiating was Mr. W.M. Hetrick. Mrs. Harness passed away Aug. 11 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

She is preceded in death by husband Wayne deceased in 1979. She is survived by her son and daughter in law Larry and Christine of Lake Isabella; grandson David of Simi Valley; brothers Jimmy Thompson of Pasadena, Tommy Thompson of Idaho, Stan Thompson of Washington state; sister Emily Flowers of La Crescenta, Sarah Emergell of Davis. Dorothy had been a resident of the Kern Valley for 17 years.

Born May 31, 1915 in Los Angeles, Dorothy Isabel Harness was 76 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery.

Donald W. Beach

A memorial service was conducted Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the KRV Moose Lodge in Lake Isabella for Donald Beach of Bodfish. Officiating were officers of the Moose Lodge. 498.

Mr. Beach passed away Aug. 11 at home following illness. He is survived by his wife of 27 years Teresa "Terry" Beach of Bodfish; son Bill of Oregon; grandson Sean of Oregon, granddaughter Tira of Oregon; brothers Harold of Kansas and Fred of California; sister Gloria Cook of Kansas. Donald Beach was a member of the KRV Moose Lodge and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for 8 years.

Interment of cremated remains at the Union Cemetery, Bakersfield. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Aug. 28, 1991

OBITUARY

John Saunders

A graveside service was held Aug. 22 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for John Knox Saunders, 63, of Wofford Heights, who died Aug. 20. Father Terry Burley officiated. Military graveside rites were also held.

Mr. Saunders, born in Chicago was a veteran of the Korean Conflict serving in the U.S. Army. He was employed with the Burbank postal office 31 years as a carrier. He was a member of the Kern River Masonic Lodge, No. 827 and the Kern River Valley Elks Lodge, No. 2358.

Survivors include his wife Marilyn of Wofford Heights; son Bruce Saunders and wife Charlene of Bakersfield; daughter Sherrie Linn Brooks and husband Fred of Caldwell, Idaho; grandchildren Kristia Linn Saunders of Garden Grove; Julia, Michelle and Kimberly Saunders all of Bakersfield and Abbie Brooks of Caldwell, Idaho.

Hopson-Anspach Family Mortuary, Bakersfield.

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Marvin Sodergren

A nicheside service was held on Monday, Aug. 26 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Marvin Sodergren, a former 12 year resident of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the United Methodist Church Highland Chapel. Mr. Sodergren passed away at his home in Sacramento on Aug. 5.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth of Sacramento; daughter Sharon Baxter of Sacramento; sons, Tom Sodergren of Ventura and Philip Sodergren of Ridgecrest; grandchildren Tina and Tom Sodergren of Ridgecrest; J.T. and Caitlin Sodergren of Mt. Mesa; brother Carl Sodergren of Minnesota and sister Ruth Loftus of Oregon.

Mr. Sodergren was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army serving in Europe. Mr. Sodergren retired from NWC China Lake in 1975 and had been previously employed at PMR Point Mugu, as an electroplater.

Born Sept. 12, 1915 in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Marvin Sodergren was 75.

Effie Irene Lane

A private funeral service will be conducted Wednesday afternoon Aug. 28 at the Sunnyside Memorial Park Cemetery Long Beach for Effie Irene Lane of Kernville. Prayers were delivered by family and friends. Mrs. Lane passed away Aug. 21 at home following illness.

Mrs. Lane is preceded in death by her husband Eugene deceased Oct. 5, 1980. She is survived by great grand niece Terri Ann Wenstrom of Lincoln, Nebraska and Georgia Lee Wenstrom of Vacaville. Effie was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star KRV Chapter 643. She has been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 27 years. Born June 30, 1904 in Springdale, Washington County, Arkansas, Effie Irene Lane was 87 years of age. Interment at the Sunnyside Memorial park, Long Beach. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Jim Barnes

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights for Jimmie Elbert "Jim" Barnes of Riverside. Officiating was Joel Astor. Mr. Barnes passed away Aug. 19 at the Riverside Community Hospital in Riverside. He is survived by his wife Barbara of Riverside, father Robert Barnes of CA; daughter and son in law Angela and Richard Harmon of Colorado; son and daughter in law Robbie and Shiela Barnes of Arizona; son Jimmie Lee Barnes of Arizona, son James Hoyt of Riverside, grandchildren Holly, Richie and Chris Harmon all of Colorado, granddaughter Kayla Barnes of Arizona, brothers Richard of Texas, James of Oklahoma and Wendell of California.

Born Nov. 25, 1939 in Marlow, Oklahoma, Jimmie Elbert "Jim" Barnes was 51 years of age. Interment near family members at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Mable Main

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery for Mable Main of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. John Davis, Pastor of the Assembly of God church in Wofford Heights. Mrs. Main passed away Aug. 20 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years Leland Main of Lake Isabella; son and daughter in law Robert and June Main of Reseda; grandchildren Steven and Kathy both of Reseda, great granddaughters Lindsay and Kristen of Reseda, brothers Jack and Alva Horner of Iowa.

Mrs. Main was a member of the Assembly of God church and a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 15 years.

Born Feb. 9, 1904 in Wayne County, Iowa, Mable Grace Main was 87 years. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Dorothy Ott

A private cremation was performed for Dorothy Ott of Wofford Heights, who passed away Aug. 16 at Kern Valley Hospital.

Dorothy is survived by her nephew Dean Ott of Upland; sister Bulah Mueller of Alton, Illinois. Mrs. Ott had been of a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 21 years.

Born April 8, 1917 in Illinois, Dorothy Mabb Ott was 74 years of age. Interment of cremated remains at the Union Cemetery Association Cemetery in Bakersfield, Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Bill McDonald

A funeral service was conducted Friday, Aug. 23 at the Valley Mortuary chapel in Lake Isabella for Willie Clide "Bill" McDonald of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Fred Baker, pastor of the United Methodist Church, Kernville. Mr. McDonald passed away Aug. 18 at the San Joaquin Memorial Hospital of Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife Ellen of Wofford Heights; daughters Lee Christopher of Wofford Heights, Pamela Cook also of Wofford Heights, granddaughters Candace Fisher of Bakersfield, Christina Cook of Wofford Heights, great-grandchildren John Tyler Fisher of Bakersfield and Salena Mitchell of Wofford Heights; five sisters and two brothers residing in Texas, New Mexico and Colorado. Bill McDonald was retired from Foremost Daries and had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 23 years. He was a member of the Mended Hearts and the Kern Valley Sidewalk C.B.ers'

Born July 17, 1905 in Tow, Texas, Bill McDonald was 86 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Friends mourn death of Joughin, pioneer rancher

By KATHE MALOUF
Kern Valley Sun

The Kern Valley has lost another pioneer.

Bill Joughin, whose name has been synonymous with ranching and developments in the Kern Valley for the past 20 years, died last week. He was 62.

Joughin touched the lives of many Kern Valley residents. Business acquaintances and friends were shocked and saddened by the news of his death.

Joughin was responsible for much of the growth of South Lake. But his projects also included Robinson Cove, Cortez Canyon, Cyrus Canyon, Longview and both the residential and mobilehome tracts in South Lake. He was planning a third residential subdivision in South Lake at the time of his death.

Because of his continued support of projects that helped the Kern Valley to grow, Joughin was often called on for donations of time, financial support or land. Most recently, Joughin donated two three-acre parcels of land in South Lake, one to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation and the other to the Kern Valley Historical Society. Both are being used as fundraisers for those organizations.

That generosity that will be missed, said Dave Freeland, president of the Hospital Foundation.

"Bill had a big heart. He made generous contributions of his time, financial resources and support. He was a strong supporter of the Foundation. We at the Foundation are saddened by his death and my heart goes out to his family," said Freeland.

While Joughin may be best remembered for his developments in the South Lake area, his love for the land and ranching remained a major factor in his life. He was concerned about protecting the land, while still retaining his family's heritage pertaining to cattle grazing rights.

Joughin

That combination was an important one, said Jim Crates, former Forest Supervisor of the Sequoia National Forest. "Bill was a beautiful mountain man. I'll never go into Big Meadow or Cannell Meadow and not think of Bill." Joughin was one of several who worked with the Forest Service put together a 2,400 acre purchase of land on the Kern Plateau in 1988. Joughin supported the purchase, saying it would preserve the beauty of the land for future generations.

Gorden Heebner, Resource

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Officer with the Sequoia National Forest who has worked with the Joughin family for more than 20 years, said Joughin's death would create "a great void in cattle and range management. And I don't know how we will make up for that void. Bill cared about the land and always wanted to do what was best."

Joughin had been labeled dynamic and influential by friends.

"You couldn't help but be influenced by Bill," said Jackie Anderson, who said Joughin was the third person she met in the Kern Valley 20 years ago. "His first, last and foremost thoughts were always the Kern River Valley. He was one of the last movers and shakers and I don't think we will see his ilk again. He was a true environmentalist and loved the land. "

Tom McKinney said Joughin was always ready to respond to a need. "If you needed anything, Bill was the first to make sure your needs were met. Whether it was to install a cattle guard to keep cattle out of the campgrounds or give a dinner at his ranch to honor some project or person, it was taken care of. And most of the time, the receiver never knew where the gift came from, as Bill was always in the background. He was never the one to jump out and take credit for anything. In Bill's eyes, nothing was impossible. He had the can-do attitude and the impossible just took a little longer."

William Daniel Joughin was born in Bakersfield on March 2, 1929, but was raised in the Kern Valley. He attended South Fork elementary school, where one of his teachers was Grace Kissack. He attended high school at both a military school and Kern County High School in Bakersfield.

The Joughin Ranch was founded in 1870 by Arthur Cannell, who emigrated from the Isle of Man to the Kern Valley. In 1906 William D. Joughin, Sr. , who was also from the Isle of Man and a brother-in- law to Cannell, took over the ranch with his wife Ethel. The ranch was expanded to include the Crane, Perry, Sydney, Robinson, Cook and Paherson ranches and homesteads.

In 1950, Bill Joughin, Jr. and his wife Roberta took over the ranch and continued the tradition. The ranch was again expanded to include the Diltz, Pallett and Alexander Cortez Ranches and the A. Brown Co. Today the ranch includes more than 10,000 acres in Kern and Tulare counties. It also includes more than 200 square miles of grazing permits with both the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service. Joughin maintained more than 1,000 head of cattle in addition to a diversified business organization including the development of South Lake and commercial, residential and mobilehome subdivisions.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta, daughters Cathie Joughin Halle of Granite Station, Sylvia Hafenfeld of Weldon and Renee Joughin of Bakersfield and three grandchildren, Jessica and Eric Hafenfeld and Christoffer Joughin of Granite Station.

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OBITUARY

William D. Joughin

A graveside service was held Friday, Aug. 30 at the Kernville Cemetery for William Daniel Joughin, 62, of Lake Isabella who died Aug. 28. Mr. Joughin, a native of the Kern Valley was a rancher and land developer.

He was a member of the Kern County Cattlemen's Association and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife Roberta of Lake Isabella; 3 daughters, Cathie Joughin Halle of Granite Station, Sylvia Joughin Hafenfeld of Weldon and Renee Joughin of Bakersfield and his grandchildren, Jessica and Eric Hafenfeld of Weldon and Christoffer Joughin of Granite Station.

Honorary pallbearers were Bob Karpe, Earl Gibbons, Bill Marks, Tom McKinney, Chuck Christman, Sheldon Craddock, Dennis DeWalt, Charles Silicz, Kenneth Mebane and sons in law Bruce Hafenfeld and Richard Halle.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation

Arrangements by Hopson-Anspach Family Mortuary in Bakersfield.

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OBITUARY

Oscar Lawton Yoho

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery on Friday, Aug. 30 for Oscar Lawton Yoho of Weldon. Officiating were members of the KRV Post 7665 Veterans of Foreign Wars, KRV Chapter 54 Disabled American Veterans, KRV Post 711 American Legion and KRV Chapter 19 Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. Mr. Yoho passed away Aug. 25 at Memorial Hospital, Bakersfield.

He is survived by his brothers Edgar of Yountville, CA, Robert of Bodfish., Frank of Nipomo; sister Mae Calderwood of Bodfish.

Mr. Yoho was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who served in North Africa and Europe. He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 20 years. Born Feb. 13, 1918 in Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado, Oscar Lawton Yoho was 73. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 4, 1991

OBITUARY

John Russell Neely

Funeral services were held in Downey and internment was in Forrest Lawn Memorial Park in Cypress on Sept 3 for John Russell Neely who died Aug. 28 at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield at the age of 83.

Mr. Neely was born in Clarendon, Texas on April 22, 1908 and a resident of Bodfish since 1971.

He is survived by his wife Ruth of Bodfish, sons Doug Neely and wife Cheri of Bodfish and Don Neely and wife Charlene of Downey; daughters Gloria Ispas and husband David of Medford, Oregon and Ella Campbell and husband Eddie of San Diego and nine grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

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Sept. 4, 1991

OBITUARY

Cliff Max Wunschel

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights on Thursday, Aug. 29 for Cliff Max Wunschel of Wofford Heights. Officiating were officers and members of KKRV Chapter 54 Disabled American Veterans, KRV Post 7665 VFW, American Legion KRV Post 722 and Chapter 19, Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc.

Mr. Wunschel passed away Aug. 22 at the West Los Angeles VA Medical Center in West Los Angeles.

He is survived by his wife Lela of Wofford Heights, daughters Raylene and husband Bruce Pyren of Canoga Park, Edna and husband Don Bryan of Henderson, Nevada; grandchildren Denis, Steve and Michael and one sister Gladys Shaw of Rhode Island.

Cliff Wunschel was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy who served with Naval Construction Battalion known as C.B.s or "Sea Bees" in the Asiatic-Pacific region. He was a life member of the DAV and VFW and had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past ten years. Born Aug. 18, 1926 in Pawtucket, Providence County, Rhode Island, Cliff Wunschel was 65 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary of lake Isabella.

Aaron Crumrine

Graveside services were held Thursday at the Kern Valley cemetery for Aaron (Bob) Crumrine who passed away Aug. 23.

Mr. Crumrine was born in Tennessee in 1908 but has resided in California for most of his life.

Survivors include his son David and family, grandchildren and great grandchildren, his companion and friend Katharyn Wunderlish also nieces and nephews, including Doris Requa and Joanne Rolfe of Kernville.

Douglas E. Deese

Douglas Deese of Onyx passed away Aug. 29 at Beverly Manor Health Center Ridgecrest. Arrangements are pending. Contact Valley Mortuary for time and date of service.

Wednesday
Sept. 11, 1991

OBITUARY -

Lanell R. Moore

A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated Friday, Sept.13 at 11 a.m. at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church for Lanell Moore of Riverkern. Celebrant of the Mass will be Monsignor G.R. Meyer interim pastor. A rosary for Lanell will be recited at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Lanelle Moore passed away Sept. 7 at Kern Valley Hospital.

she is survived by her mother Judy Havlu of Kernville, father Larry Moore of Corona; grandparents Clarence and Edna Day of Riverkern, John Bourbeau of Massachusetts, George and Georgina Moore of Oregon, brothers Michael and Paul Havlu of Ontario, Shawn Moore of Corona and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Lanell was a student at Kern Valley High starting her junior year. She was active in sports including softball and cheerleading. She was an active member of FFA and worked part time at Cheryl's Diner in Kernville

Born Jan. 29, 1975 in Downey, CA, Lanelle Ranae Moore was 16 years of age. Interment will be at Kern Valley Cemetery where blessing and consecration of the grave will be done. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Donations in memory of Lanelle can be sent to the American Lung Assoc., 306 Chester, Bakersfield, CA 93301.

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Sept. 11, 1991

OBITUARY

Glenn H. Nall

Glenn Nall of Lake Isabella passed away Sept.. 4 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years Barbara of Lake Isabella; sons Michael of Cypress, Kelly of Chino; daughters Patricia Kearney of LaVerne, Trisha Nall of Dana Point; sister Billie DeStephano of Lake Isabella; sister Sue DeVries of Lake Isabella and one granddaughter. Glenn Nall was a WWII veteran and resident of the Kern Valley for the past six years.

Funeral services were conducted graveside at the Olive Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, La Mirada on Monday, Sept. 9.

Born Aug. 1, 1923 in Oklahoma, Glenn Howard Nall was 68 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 11, 1991

OBITUARY

Billie Johnson

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Aug. 4 at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Wilma June "Billie' Johnson of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. David Snow. Mrs. Johnson passed away Aug. 30 at the San Joaquin Hospital, Bakersfield.

she is survived by her husband of 46 years Floyd of Bodfish; sons Floyd Johnson of Granada Hills Rickland Johnson of North Hollywood; daughter Lynda Taylor of Nevada; sisters Virginia and Jeane both of Sherman Oaks and four grandchildren. Billie Johnson was a members of the First Baptist church of Lake Isabella and the 55 plus club.

She had been a resident of the Kern Valley for seven years.

Born Jan. 2, 1926 in Keytesville, Missouri, Billie Johnson was 65 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Douglas Deese

A funeral service was conducted on Wednesday, Sept.. 4 at the United Methodist Church, in Weldon for Douglas Deese of Onyx. Officiating were Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the United Methodist church, Highland Chapel in Lake Isabella and Rev. John Carpenter, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Lake Isabella and interim pastor of the Weldon Methodist Church. Mr. Deese passed away Aug. 29 at the Beverly Manor Health Center in Ridgecrest.

he is survived by his wife of more than 50 years Clara of Onyx; daughters Frances Clifton of Sebastopol, CA, Edna Williams of Las Vegas; sons David Deese of Long Beach, Douglas Deese, Jr. of Buena Park; 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Doug Deese was retired after 30 years service with the U.S. Navy; his service included wartime service in WW II and Korea. Doug was a member of Moose, he was a member of the Fleet Reserve and the Weldon Methodist Church. He had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 17 years.

Born Sept. 1, 1904 in Columbus, Georgia, Douglas Eugene Deese was 86 years and 11 months of age. Interment at the Angeles Abbey Mausoleum in Compton, Los Angeles. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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Sept. 11, 1991

OBITUARY

Russell Hamilton

Russell Matthew Hamilton of Wofford Heights passed away Aug. 30 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years Mary of Wofford Heights; sons Larry and John or Orange, Matthew of El Segundo; sisters Norma and Ruth both of New Jersey; five granddaughters, one grandson and one great grandson. Mr. Hamilton was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy where he served with the Naval Construction Battalions for C.B.s better known as SeaBeas.

Russell Hamilton was a resident of the Kern Valley for 17 years. He was a member of the Search and Rescue, VFW and Moose. Born Aug. 11, 1916 in Short Hills, New Jersey, Mr. Hamilton was 75 years of age. Cremation arrangements by valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 18, 1991

OBITUARY -

Hazel M. Dominske

A memorial service was conducted Friday, Sept. 13 at the scattering garden of the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Hazel Dominske of Kernville. Prayers and eulogy were delivered by family and friends. Mrs. Dominske passed away Sept. 7 at Kern Valley Hospital.

She is survived by her brother Theodore "Ted" Thompson of Riverside and many friends here in the valley.

Born Aug. 20, 1905 in Washburn, Wisconsin, Hazel Mildred Dominske was 86 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Hack Boyd

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Sept. 12 at the Church of the Nazarene, Lake Isabella for Bennett Haskell "Hack" Boyd of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, pastor. Prayers were also delivered by Rev. Oren Ice.

Mr. Boyd passed away Sept. 9 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years Josephine of Bodfish; daughter Carolyn of Victorville; sons Ben of San Diego, Laramie of Glendale, Dave of Kernville, 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Hack Boyd had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 20 years having moved here from Torrance.

Born July 14, 1907 in Pryor, Oklahoma, Bennett Haskell Boyd was 84 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 18, 1991

OBITUARY

Evalyn Keigley

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetrey in Wofford Heights for Evalyn Keigley of Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Rev. David Long, pastor of the Grace Bible Church of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Keigley passed away Sept. 7 at home following illness.

She is survived by her husband George of Mt. Mesa nad two aunts of Taft and Modesto. Evalyn was retired from 41 years of service as office manager with Pioneer Mercantile in Bakersfield. She had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past several years.

Born Aug. 21, 1926 in Taft, Evalyn Laverne Keigley was 65 years of age. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Gary William Galyen

Gary William Galyen of Grand Prairie, Texas passed away Aug. 9 after a long illnesss.

He is survived by his wife Trudie Ann; son Paul Galyen of Ohio; step daughter Debbie Cote, stepson Danny Blaise, granddaughter Ashley, all of Garden grove; father and step mother Earl and Helen Galyen of Wofford Heights; brother and wife Jeff and Dana Galyen, niece Aimee, nephew Kevin also of the Kern Valley.

Gary owned a home in Wofford Heights and introduced his family to the Kern Valley.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later time at the Kern Valley Christian Church.

Gary was born Jan. 24, 1941 in Los Angeles. He was 50 years old. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery.

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Sept. 18, 1991

OBITUARY

Thomas F. Frazier

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, Sept. 14 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Thomas Frazier of Weldon. Officiating were oficers of KRV Elks Lodge 2358 BPOE. Mr. Frazier passed away Sept. 11 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years Marilynn of Weldon; sons Mark of Bodfish, Kent of Taft, daughter Pam Reed of San Mateo; sister Foy Haugland of Hemet, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Thomas Frazier was retired from the Rainbow Bread company and will be remembered as the Rainbow delivery man here in the Kern Valley for many years. He was a WW II Army veteran. Born June 18, 1923 in Arkansas, Thomas Farmer Frazier was 68 years of age. Arrangments: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Wilbert G. Rehorn

Wilbert Glen Rehorn of Lake Isabella passed away Sept. 15 as the result of a motor vehicle accident south of Kernville. He is survived by his brother Robert of Lake Isabella, nieces and nephews.

Wilbert Rehorn was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard, having served aboard merchant ships during armed conflict. He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past year and was retired as an electrical engineer for the Bechtel Corp.

Born Jan. 13, 1913 in Kansas, Wilbert Glen Rehorn was 78 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Florence Hindman

Florence Hindman of Weldon passed away Sept. 16 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. She is survived by her daughter Phyllis Dixon of Weldon; grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services and interment will be conducted in Reno, Nevada. Burial will be at the Mt. View Cemetery in Reno where Mrs. Hindman will be laid to rest with her husband Clyde, deceased in 1969.

Arrangements by Walton's Funeral Home in Reno and Valley Mortuary.

Victor Ode

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Sept. 19 at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Lake Isabella for Victor Frederick "Vic" Ode of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Louis Fabrizius pastor. Mr. Ode passed away Sept. 14 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years Ruby of Wofford Heights; daughter Annette Page of Redondo Beach; son Gerald Ode of San Francisco; sisters Lois of Kansas, Helen of Washington, Alice of Kansas; eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Mr. Ode was retired from the Rockwell International Corp and had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 16 years.

Born March 29, 1908 in Potter, Kansas, Victor Frederick Ode was 83 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Richard Hansen

Richard Irvin Hansen of Larsen Tract passed away Sept. 18 at the Kern Valley Hospital. He is survived by his wife Patricia of Larsen Tract; son Steve of West Covina; daughters Kathleen Ross of Walnut, Garrie Kelly Tiemens of Hollywood; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Richard Hansen was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy who served aboard patrol craft in the Aleutian Islands and Asiatic-Pacific region. Locally he was a member of the Eagles in Mt. Mesa and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 10 years.

Born Dec. 22, 1925 in Mason, Nevada, Richard L Hansen was 65 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 16, 1991

OBITUARY -

Doris Elizabeth Moore

Doris Elizabeth Moore passed away suddenly Sept. 19 at the San Joaquin Hospital following a heart attack. She was born a twin on Dec. 17, 1919 to Fred and Hattie Meyer in Iowa. She was 71 years old.

Doris and her husband Ed were among the first to buy lots in the Reeder Tract and was a part time resident since the early 1960s. After retiring and living alone for a year, she became actively involved in foster care. Doris was a member of the Kern Valley Loyal Moose Auxiliary, the Ladies Auxiliary to the Eagles, the Lake Isabella-Bodfish Property Owners Assoc.

She is survived by her loving daughters Rita Kay Fortney of Rhonert Park, CA Barbara Carol Berghofer of Bermuda Dunes, CA; grandchildren Cathy Globe, Doyle Fortney, Jr.; Dee Dee Lopez, Karen Navarro, Robert Fortney and Barbie Fortney, all of Rhonert Park, CA, Michael Ace, of Alaska and Michelle Lacoff of Simi Valley. She is also survived by 18 great-grandchildren, four foster children; three brothers Ernest Meyer of Mt. Mesa; Chas Meyer and wife Evelyn of Fairview Heights, IL; Fred Meyer and wife Ann of Souix City, Iowa; four sisters, twin Kathy Watkins of Woodson Terrace, MO; Ginger Henderson of Highland, IL, Marion Demboski of St. Charles, MO and Margaret McAlister of Lake Isabella.

Doris was buried in the Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Petaluma, CA following a service at the Parent-Sorensen Chapel. Pierce Bros. Praiswater od Canoga Park handled the arrangements.

Wednesday
Oct. 23, 1991

OBITUARY

Clark "Slim" Fred Hanson

Private cremation arrangements were made for Clark "Slim" Fred Hanson of Lake Isabella. Slim was born Nov. 11, 1909 in Bakersfield and died Oct. 15 in Bakersfield after a long illness, he was 81 years old. He was preceded in death by his wife Virginia who died Aug. 18, 1986.

He is survived by his sisters Lois and Rosalee both of Bakersfield, nieces and nephews of Bakersfield and Los Angeles.

Donald Yeargan

A graveside service was held Monday, Oct. 21 at 11 a.m. at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Donald Lee Yeargan of Wofford Heights. Officiating was pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Yeargan was born in Fullerton on May 11, 1923 and died Oct. 15 in Bakersfield. He was 68 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years Iva of Wofford Heights; daughters Janet Halbrook of Bakersfield, Dawn Carlon of Bakersfield, Cynthia Peredoc of Bakersfield; brother Dale Yeargan of Onyx and mother Lorene Yeargan of Wofford Heights; six grand children and three great grandchildren.

Mr. Yeargan was a Mason and an Elk.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

James "Jim" Henson

A funeral service was held Oct. 22 at the Valley Mortuary chapel in Lake Isabella for James "Jim" Henson of Southlake. Officiating was Dale Davis, pastor of the South Shore Fullgospel Fellowship. Mr. Henson was born June 16, 1925 in Chillicothe, Texas and died Oct. 17 in Southlake. He was 66 years old.

He is survived by his wife Della of Southlake, children Bryon Henson of Rialto, Brenda Nagle of Rialto, Beverly Easley of Federal, Washington, Bonnie Chastain of Weldon, Sharon Dolan of Vancover, B.C., Beverly Rogers of Kansas;; sisters Lottie Hornbeck of Washington, Ruth Wells of Texas and brother Ernest Henson of Texas. He is also survived by 23 grand children and 22 great grand children.

Burial will be Wednesday, Oct. 23 at Forestlawn, Covina Hills.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Doris Hall

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Oct. 1 at the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church for Doris U. Hall of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor.

Mrs. Hall passed away Sept. 27 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital. She is preceded in death by her son Connie deceased in 1986 and survived by her husband of 60 years Marlin of Lake Isabella; son Roy of Lake Isabella, daughter Norma of Lake Isabella, brothers Roy Tullos of Florida, Victor Tullos of California and W.H. Tullos of California, sisters Dorothy Jones of Florida, Juanita Ross of CA, six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Doris was a member of the Grandmother's Club 94 and Mt. View Southern Baptist Church.

She has been a resident of the Kern Valley for 21 years, having moved here from Garden Grove.

Born May 24, 1913 in Konawa, Oklahoma, Doris Uline Hall was 78. Interment at the Kern Valley cemetery. Arrangements; Valley Mortuary.

Donations in memory of Doris Hall may be made to the Cancer Society and Mt. View Southern Baptist Church.

Danny Loy Deaver

Funeral services were held Sept. 26 at the Mt. Mesa Church of Christ with Pastor Jon Rowe officiating. Mr. Deaver was a member of the Church of Christ since 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda. They were married March 11, 1941 in Oklahoma and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 11, 1991 which included a boat trip to Mexico.

Danny is also survived by two daughters, Shirley Deaver and Patricia Titgen of Costa Mesa and two grandchildren Michael Ray Bahon and Michelle Licbourtz both of Palm Springs; a brother Edd Deaver of Oklahoma.

Danny graduated from South Eastern State Teachers College in Oklahoma and taught in various schools including Oklahoma and California where he was a basketball and baseball coach in junior and high school. Danny also played some baseball in the minor league and played professional basketball with the Oklahoma Indians.

He served three years in Germany in World War II under General Paton and received honorable discharge as First Sgt.

In 1950, he was listed in "Who's Who" as the oldest basketball player in college. After moving to California in 1957, he worked for a time at Duncan Industries in Los Angeles.

In 1972, the Deavers moved to Lake Isabella where they owned and operated the South Fork Realty for about 12 years.

Danny was a member also of the VFW.

Honorary pallbearers were Jack Austin, Glenn Goins, Doyle Anders, Joe Thomas. Mr. Deaver passed away in Long Beach veterans hospital after a battling with a rare blood disease. Burial was in Riverside veterans cemetery.

Arrangements made by Peek Family Colonial Funeral Home in Westminster.

Wednesday
Oct. 30, 1991

OBITUARY

Bea Adair

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Oct. 23 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery for Beatrice Lillian "Bea" Adair of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Louis Fabrizius, pastor of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Adair passed away Oct. 19 in Riverside.

She is preceded in death by her husband Jesse Adair, deceased July 26, 1984. She is survived by her sons Earl of Riverside, James of Riverside, daughters Darlene Grant of Montana, Marueen Burnett of Huntington Beach, aunt Bernice Zaby of Southgate, 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Bea was a member of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Lake Isabella and the Kern Valley Hospital Auxiliary.

She had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 21 years.

Born March 1, 1913 in Missouri. Beatrice Lillian Adair was 78. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 30, 1991

OBITUARY

Anna Peterson

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Oct. 24 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery for Anna S. Peterson of Onyx. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, Pastor of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Peterson passed away at home Oct. 19 following illness. She is survived by her husband Kenneth of Onyx; son Raymond Paul King of Florida; daughter Gertrude Mavis also of Florida; two grandchildren and one great-granchild.

Mrs. Peterson was retired from Rockwell International Corp and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 18 years.

Born Nov. 25, 1905 in Decatur, Illinois, Anna "Ann" Peterson was 85 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 30, 1991

OBITUARY

Brad Beck

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery in Bakersfield for Brad Allan Beck of Bakersfield.

Officiating at the graveside and at a memorial service was Charley Burns, Jehovah's Witness.

Brad passed away Oct. 18 in Bakersfield as a result of a motor vehicle accident.

He is survived by his parents Michael and Janis Beck of Lake Isabella; brother Todd of Bakersfield; sisters Kellee of Bakersfield and Stacy of Huntington Beach.

Born Oct. 19, 1969 in Lancaster, Brad Allan Beck was 21 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

George Keigley

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Nov. 5 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights near Lake Isabella for George Keigley of Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Rev. David Long, pastor of the Grace Bible Church of Lake Isabella. Mr. Keigley passed away Oct. 30 at home.

He is preceded in death by his wife Evalyn deceased Sept. 8, 1991 and brother Mac Keigley, deceased June 2, 1991.

George Keigley is survived by his brother and sister in law Marshall and Dorothy Keigley of Taft; two nieces and four nephews in Taft and Bakersfield; one sister in law Noris Keigley resides in Taft and many relatives and friends in California and Oklahoma.

George Keigley was a combat veteran of the U.S. Army during WW II. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action. He was retired after 25 years in the service with Pioneer Mercantile where he worked with his wife in Taft and Bakersfield.

Born Oct. 1, 1925 in Sapulpa, Oklahoma, George Keigley was 66 years of age.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Shirley Hanawalt

A funeral service was conducted Thursday Oct. 31 at the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Shirley Hanawalt of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor.

Mrs. Hanawalt passed away Oct. 28 at Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield.

She is preceded in death by her husband Douglas Hanawalt deceased Jan. 20, 1986. Shirley is survived by her son Wayne of Southlake; daughter Diane Uhler of Bakersfield and grandchildren.

Shirley Hanawalt was a member of the Mt. View So. Baptist Church; a founding member of the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation. At present she had represented the city hostess in the Kern Valley and was the holder of a California building contractor's license.

Born May 27, 1927 in New York Shirley Agnes Hanawalt was 64 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Clark "Slim" Fred Hanson

Private cremation arrangements were made for Clark "Slim" Fred Hanson of Lake Isabella. Slim was born Nov. 11, 1909 in Bakersfield and died Oct. 15 in Bakersfield after a long illness. He was 81 years old.

He was preceded in death by his wife Virginia who died Aug. 18, 1986.

He is survived by his sisters Lois and Rosalee both of Bakersfield, nieces and nephews of Bakersfield and Los Angeles.

Roy A. Hall

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Oct. 5 at the Mt. View So. Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Roy A. Hall of Lake Isabella.

Interment was at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Rev. Deryl Lackey officiated. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary. Please consult next week's paper for complete obituary.

Wednesday
Nov. 13, 1991

OBITUARY

Roy Hall

A funeral service was conducted Tuesday, Nov. 5 at the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church, Lake Isabella for Roy Hall of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, pastor. Mr. Hall passed away Nov. 1 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife Mary of Lake Isabella; sons Keith A. Hall of Lake Isabella, Kenny A. Hall of Bakersfield; daughter Kandi Ann Lewis of Saugus; Roy's father Marlin Cluey Hall of Lake Isabella. Roy is also survived by his sister Norma of Lake Isabella; granddaughters Jennifer and Elizabeth.

Roy Hall is preceded in death by his mother Doris deceased Sept. 27, 1991 and brother Connie Mack Hall, deceased in 1986.

Roy was the manager of the new Crossroads Texaco and minimart in Lake Isabella. He attended church at the Mt. View Southern Baptist church and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 17 years, having moved here from the Los Angeles area where he worked for the McDonnell-Douglas Corp. as a truck driver.

Born Feb. 21, 1940 in Ardmore, Carter County, Oklahoma, Roy Allen Hall as 51 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights, where graveside prayers were led by Pastor Deryl Lackey. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 13, 1991

OBITUARY

Helena Marie Ellis

Helena Marie Ellis of Wofford Heights was born in Kiel, Germany in 1902 and entered this country in 1923. She married Erskine Ellis in Iowa in 1926. He preceded her in death, in 1965.

She moved to California, residing in Wofford Heights in her retiring years. Her only sister preceded her in death in 1988. Close relatives are her niece and nephew Harold and Lucille Anderson of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Helena Marie Ellis passed away Nov. 1, at the San Joaquin Hospital in Bakersfield.

"Do not stand at my grave and weep,

"I am not there, I do not sleep.

"I am a thousand winds that blow;

"I am the diamond glints on snow.

"I am the sunlight on ripened grain;

"I am the gentle autumn's rain.

"When you awaken in the morning's hush,

"I am the swift uplifting rush

"Of quiet birds in circled flight.

"I am the soft star that shines at night.

"Do not stand at my grave and cry.

"I am not there; I did not die."

(Author Unknown)

Wednesday
Nov. 13, 1991

OBITUARY

David Frank

A funeral service was conducted Friday, Nov. 8 graveside at the Kern River Valley cemetery in Wofford Heights for David Frank of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene Lake Isabella and interim pastor of the Weldon Methodist church. Mr. Frank passed away at home Nov. 4 following illness.

He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Carol of Lake Isabella; mother in law Julie Johnson of Bodfish; daughters Cindy Walden of Reno, Liz Martinez of Lake Isabella, Julie Ferrato of Reno, Denise Potts of Rockland; son Chris Frank of Battle Mountain, Nevada; seven grandchildren and many loving brothers and sisters.

Dave Frank had worked in the construction for the past 40 years and had been a resident of the Kern Valley since 1967.

Born Aug. 25, 1936 in Wolf Point, Roosevelt County, Montana, David Byron Frank was 55. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Phil Fischer

Philmore Melvin "Straw Hat Phil" Fischer of Wofford Heights passed away Nov. 5 at the Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by his daughter and son in law Linda and Edward Mutchall of Southlake; son and daughter in law Ronald and Annette Fischer of Sacramento; daughter and son in law Kathy and Cecil Bell of Colorado Springs, Colorado; daughter and son in law Margaret and Ray Ramas also of Colorado Springs; son and daughter in law Larry and Lori Fischer of Indiana; son and daughter in law John and Colleen Fischer of Washington; brothers Harold, Arthur and Seymour all of New York State; sisters Gladys Eldred of New York and Dorothy Murphy of Indiana; 18 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Phil Fischer was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Army who was captured in combat by German Forces in 1944 and was released in 1945 when allied aircraft stopped a POW train. Mr. Fischer was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He was a Disabled American Veteran and a Life Member of DAV KRV chapter 54 and VFW.

Phil was a retired machinist who worked for Marquardt Corp in Van Nuys. He had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 15 years.

Born Jan. 16, 1911 in Valatie (pronounced Valay-Shus) township, Columbia County, the apple growing region of central New York state, Philmore Melvin Fischer, Jr. was 80 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Mission San Fernando Cemetery, San Fernando. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Memorial donations to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation in memory of Phil Fischer will be greatly appreciated.

Hugh Ross Jeanson

A funeral service was conducted Sunday, Nov. 10 at the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church in Lake Isabella for Hugh Jeanson of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, Pastor of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Jeanson is survived by his wife Leslie of Lake Isabella; daughters Judy Protiva of Peace Valley, Missouri, Rosanna Silvester of Anchorage, Alaska; five grandchildren; Hugh's mother Orla Mae Jeanson resides in Bakersfield; sister Olive Mae Graves, of Reno.

Mr. Jeanson was also survived by niece Gaye Graves of Palo Alto and nephew Garrett Graves of Wofford Heights.

Hugh was a founding member of the Kern Valley Hospital Board of Trustees. Hugh Jeansons' efforts led to the creation of the Kern Valley Hospital District. He operated his own insurance business in Bellflower and Lake Isabella for a total of 32 years. During WW II, Hugh served with the U.S. Army in combat in the Central Pacific region. During the attack of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. He was in Honolulu and is a member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc. KRV chapter 19, the VFW and the Rotary.

Born Dec. 25, 1918 in Bellflower, Hugh was 72 years of age.

Interment at the Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Memorial donations to the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation in memory of Hugh Jeansen will be appreciated.

Wednesday
Nov. 27, 1991

OBITUARY -

Harriet Kay

Ada Harriet Kay of Lake Isabella passed away Nov. 21 at the Pacific Regency Convalescent Hospital in Bakersfield. She is survived by her husband William Henry Kay and son Robert of Southlake.

Born Dec. 22, 1905 in Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas, Ada Harriet Kay was 85 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

John Marshall Carroll

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Nov. 21 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for John Marshall Carroll of Bodfish. Eulogy was delivered by family members with scriptural readings by Joel Astor.

Mr. Carroll passed away Nov. 18 at home following illness. He is survived by his wife Maxine Carroll of Bodfish; daughter Patricia Conklin of Bodfish; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild

Born July 13, 1915 in Blooming Grove, Navarro County, Texas, John Carroll was 76 years of age. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 27, 1991

OBITUARY

Loy Tidwell

A funeral service was conducted Friday, Nov. 22 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Loy Tidwell of Bodfish. Officiating were officers of KRV Masonic Lodge No. 827 F & AM. Mr. Tidwell passed away Nov. 20 at home.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years Goldie of Bodfish; daughter Kay Gowdy of Buena Park; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Loy Tidwell was a Master Mason and a member of the KRV Lodge No. 827. He had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 10 years and was retired from Mobil Oil Corp.

Born Jan. 24, 1909 in Texas, Loy Tidwell was 82 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights; Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 27, 1991

OBITUARY

LaVona Hollenbeck

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Nov. 21 graveside at the Kern Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights for LaVona Catherine "Katy" Hollenbeck of Wofford Heights. Eulogy and prayers were delivered by family and friends. Mrs. Hollenbeck passed away suddenly at home on Nov. 18.

She is survived by her son and daughter in law Larry and Marsha Launder of Ontario; granddaughters Kathy, Michelle and Melissa and one great grandchild.

Katy Hollenbeck will be remembered at the cook for the coffee shop at Kern Valley Golf Course where she worked for 12 years.

Born Jan. 9, 1920 in Iowa, LaVona Catherine Hollenbeck was 71 years of age. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Elizabeth Mary Jones Tucker

Elizabeth Mary Jones Tucker, 74, of Lake Isabella passed away Nov. 25, 1991 at San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield after a brief illness. Cremation followed under the direction of Mish Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at a later date at the Sunset Cemetery in Ontario, Oregon.

Elizabeth Tucker was born Sept. 21, 1917 in St. Paul, Minnesota, the daughter of Joseph Ellis Jones and Agnes Virginia Judge Jones. She was raised and educated in Luverne, Minnesota and graduated from Mankato Teacher's College in Mankato, Minnesota. During World War II, she worked in the defense plants in St. Paul, Minnesota. On April 27, 1951 she married Shirleigh Denton Tucker, Jr in Omaha, Nebraska and the moved to a ranch above Brogan, Oregon. They raised four children and later divorced. Mrs. Tucker moved to Boise, Idaho in 1974 and did private duty nursing. In May, 1990, she moved to Lake Isabella to live with her daughter and family.

Elizabeth Tucker is survived by two daughter Mrs. Lauren (Virginia) Spence of Lake Isabella and Mrs. Jon (Elizabeth) Dawley of Lewiston, Idaho; two sons, Denton and wife Debi and William, both of Brogan, Oregon; three brothers, David of Ogilvie, Minnesota, Herbert of St. Paul and James of Chicago, Illinois; four granddaughters Kathleen and Gwendolyn Spence of Lake Isabella; Carolyn Dawley of Lewiston, Idaho and Haylet Tucker of Brogan, Oregon and five grandsons, Alan Dawley and Douglas and Frederick Tucker of Oregon and Jon and Matthew Spence of Lake Isabella. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Joseph.

Wednesday
Dec. 4, 1991

OBITUARY

Jane Bedwell

Jane Austin Bedwell of Squirrel Valley passed away Nov. 25 at the home of her daughter, Judy following illness.

Jane is survived by her husband of 56 years Howard, daughter and son in law Sandra and Douglas Ernest of Palmdale; daughter and son in law Judith and Richard Halgren of Squirrel Valley; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brother Bide Austin of Sepulveda and sister Constance Nicholson of Seal Beach.

Jane and Howard Bedwell built their home in Squirrel Valley in 1969 and retired to the Kern Valley in 1976.

Jane was an active member of the Grandmother's Club 94 and showed her talents in ceramics and doll making classes at the senior center in Lake Isabella. Born June 23, 1916 in Allison, Butler County, Iowa, Jane Bedwell was 75 years of age.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, Dec. 7 at the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella for Jane. Officiating will be Rev. Douglas Ernest, her son in law. Memorial donations in memory of Jane Bedwell may be sent to the American Cancer Society P.O.Box 435 Wofford Heights, 93285.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery, cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 4, 1991

OBITUARY

Arvilla Franklin

Memorial services will be held Friday, Dec. 6 at the Kernville United Methodist Church at 11 a.m. for Arvilla Franklin, who passed away Dec. 1 at the age of 97 years.

Lydia Ann Hennersdorf

Lydia Ann Hennersdorf was born Lydia Ann Buettner in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Feb. 27, 1901. She passed away Nov. 12 at San Joaquin Care Center in Bakersfield.

Early in her life, she met and married William Hennersdorf and moved to San Diego for a number of years. Her husband preceded her in death in 1966.

After his passing, she moved to Kernville and made her home with her brother George Buettner. Six years later her brother died and she made her home with Willard and Eileen Van Fossen. Relatives include her three cousins, Norma Schaffer of Milwaukee, Esther Phieffer, of Milwaukee and Ray Buettner also of Milwaukee.

In 1991, Lydia became a member of the Eastern Star Electa Order 75 in Milwaukee. After moving to San Diego, she became a member of the Southern Star Chapter of OES San Diego and also a member of the Mecca Temple, Daughters of the Nile.

She also was a charter member of the OES Kern River Valley No. 643.

Interment at Greenwood Memorial Park in San Diego. Officiation was Rev. Willard Vanfossen of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
Dec. 4, 1991

OBITUARY

James Barton

James Barton of Lake Isabella passed away Nov. 26 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. He is survived by his wife of 26 years Lillian of Lake Isabella; sons Tom of Florida, John of Kansas, Bob of Oregon, David of California; daughters Connie Turner of California, Pamela Riley of Oregon; 12 grandchildren, three great grandchildren; his mother Mrs. Margaret Croce of Bakersfield. In addition, he is survived by sisters Mary Darrah of Bakersfield, Eva Lawson of California; brother Jack Barton of Visalia.

James Barton was a WW II veteran of the U. S. Navy who served in the Asiatic-Pacific region.

Born Dec. 15, 1925 in Dayton, Montgomery, Ohio, James Alden Barton was 65 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 11, 1991

OBITUARY

Wednesday
Dec. 11, 1991

OBITUARY

Ralph "Pop-C" Carter

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Ralph Wayne Carter of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, Pastor of the Valley Community Church in Lake Isabella.

Mr. Carter passed away at home Dec. 3 following illness. He is survived by his wife of 61 years Margaret Carter of Bodfish; sons Donald Carter and wife Lee of Coberg, Oregon, James Carter and wife Pat of Bakersfield; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Ralph Carter was a charter member of the Moose KRV Lodge 498 and the Single Side Band Club where was known by his CB handle of "Pop C". Mr. Carter had served or many years as president of the Oak Knoll Mutual Water Co of Bodfish.

A resident of Kern County for the past 48 years, Ralph Carter was retired from oilfield work where he served as manager of Pacific Perforating Co. in Bakersfield.

Born July 21, 1911 in Mendon, Mercer County, Ohio, Ralph Wayne Carter was 80 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements Valley Mortuary. Memorial donations to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 435 Wofford Heights, CA 93285 in memory of Ralph Carter will be appreciated.

Douglas Marcel Wick

Douglas Marcel Wick passed away on Nov. 29 at his home in Brookings, Oregon. He was born April 9, 1920 in Edinburg, North Dakota. He served in the United States Marines from 1939 to 1945. He was married to his wife Shirley on Dec. 4, 1951 in Las Vegas, Nevada. He was a member of the Elks for 30 years. He moved to the area from Kernville three years ago.

He is survived by his wife Shirley Wick of Brookings, Oregon; also surviving are his son Douglas Wick of Santa Barbara; two daughters, Carol Bertone of Sunland, CA and Marylin Chase of Phoenix, Arizona. Also surviving are four sisters: DePhae Crain, Phylis Meldahl, Phylis Meldahl, Arlene Nabseth and Sharon Stone all of Seattle, Washington; four grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 4 in Brookings, Oregon.

Raymond Bell

Raymond Albert Bell of Lake Isabella passed away at home Nov. 18. He is survived by one sister.

Born March 28, 1908 in Texas, Raymond Albert Bell was 83 years of age.

Interment at the Union Cemetery Bakersfield. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

William Kay

William H. Kay of Lake Isabella passed away Dec. 3 at Pacific Regency Nursing Home in Bakersfield, where his wife Harriet Kay passed away Nov. 21. Both of them are survived by their only son Robert W. Kay and wife Marian of Southlake; grandson, Robert W. Kay Jr. of Tucson, Arizona; granddaughters Shelley Omaleve and husband Steve of Chino Hills and one great granddaughter Stephani Omaley.

William and Harriet retired to Lake Isabella over 20 years ago after William retired from the Los Angeles County Flood control with 35 years of service. He was born in Los Angeles on Dec. 29, 1905 and Harriet was born Dec. 22, 1905. Both would have been 86 years this month.

Their cremated remains will be scattered at the Kern Valley Cemetery. Cremation is by Valley Mortuary.

Leona Buckallew

A funeral service was conducted Dec. 3 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Leona Alice Denney-Buckallew of Bodfish. Internment was at the Kern River Valley Cemetery.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary. A more complete obituary will appear in next week's Kern Valley Sun

Wednesday
Dec. 18, 1991

OBITUARY

Samuel Dean Edge

A funeral service was held Friday, Dec. 13 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses for Samuel Dean Edge, the infant son of Erik and Kirsten Edge. Officiating was Ronald Pavey of the Lake Isabella congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. Interment was at Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Samuel was born Nov. 24 in Weldon and died Dec. 8 at Kern Medical Center in Bakersfield. He was 15 days old. He is survived by his parents Erik and Kirsten Edge, brother Joseph and sister Katie Edge all of Weldon, grandparents Vic and Judy Edge of Santa Anna, grandparents Dwight and Eva Winenger of Desert Hot Springs.

We look forward to seeing him again when Jesus Christ resurrects all those in the memorial tombs to a life everlasting on a cleansed, paradise earth. We are thankful to all those who have helped us during our need.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Sandra Gail Cordier

Private cremation arrangements were made for Sandra Gail Cordier of Wofford Heights. Sandra was born May 22, 1949 in Pennsylvania and died Dec. 6 in Mt. Mesa. She was 42 year old.

She is survived by her parents Clarence and Enid Burgess of Kernville; sisters Virginia Burgess of Phoenix, and Mary Ashworth of Lancaster.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 18, 1991

OBITUARY

Douglas M. Wick

Douglas Marcel Wick, 71, died Nov. 29 at his home in Brookings, Oregon.

He was born April 9, 1920 in Edinburg, ND and raised in North Dakota and served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1939 to 1945 in World War II.

He owned his own commercial heating in Los Angeles for many years and was married to his wife, Shirley Dec. 4, 1951 in Las Vegas. Mr. Wick was a member of the Elks for 30 years. He moved to Brookings five years ago from Kernville.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter. His son founded "Friends Fisherman and Fellowship" in honor of the difference he made in their lives 15 years ago. A trophy was given to the man who has been the most inspirational to the youth in his community each year. The trophy changes hands each year.

Mr. Wick is survived by his wife, Shirley of Brookings; son Douglas N. Wick of Santa Barbara; daughters Carol Bertone of Sunland and Marilyn Chase of Phoenix; sisters Dephae Caain, Phyllis Meldahl, Arlene Nabseth and Sharon Stone of Seattle, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 4 in Brookings, Oregon. Dec. 4 marked the 40th wedding anniversary of the Wicks.

Wednesday
Dec. 18, 1991

OBITUARY

Leona Alice Denney-Buckallew

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 1 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary chapel in Lake Isabella for Leona Alice Buckallew of Bodfish. Officiating was Reverend Terry Speer of the Crown Valley Community Church of Acton. Interment followed at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Mrs. Buckallew was born April 6, 1914 in Hollywood and died Nov. 26 in Van Nuys. She was 77 years old. She is preceded in death by her husband.

She is survived by her son Walter and daughter-in-law Carolyn Buckallew of Acton; grandchildren Melinda, Monty and Shane; sisters Evelyn Petty, Wilma Syler and brother Tom Rankin.

Mrs. Buckallew was active in the local Grandmothers club, the Eastern Star and the Bodfish Homeowners Association. She was a nine year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Arthur Dale Smart

Arthur Dale Smart of Southlake passed away Dec. 16 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa.

He is preceded in death by his son, Arthur, Jr. deceased in 1985 and survived by his wife Marian J. Smart of Southlake; daughters Donetta, Jean, Kathryn and Sally all of Indianapolis, Indiana,;' daughter Valene Dahm of Lake Isabella, sons Duane of Pearlblossom and Wayne of Pierce City, Missouri; brother Robert Smart of Wagner, Oklahoma; sisters Sarah Buchanan of Hemet, Barbara Ann Whitaker of Peris and grandchildren.

Arthur Smart was a member of the Eagles and Moose and had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past eight years.

Cremations arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Walter William Black

Memorial services are pending for Walter W. "Blackie" Black of Bodfish who passed away Dec. 14 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. Mr. Black is preceded in death by his wife Josephine deceased May 9, 1989 and survived by his daughter Veloris Hipp of Leona Valley; son LeRoy Black of San Fernando Valley; granddaughters Tani McCaslin of Quartz Hill and Kimi Sue French of Oakley and two great-grandsons Collin William McCaslin and Casey Robert McCaslin both of Quartz Hill.

Walter Black was a member of the Elks and had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 24 years. Born Sept. 30, 1913 in Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas, Walter William Black was 78 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 25, 1991

OBITUARY

John E. Wallace

John Edward Wallace of Kelso Valley passed away at home Dec. 18 following illness. He is survived by his wife Joan of Kelso Valley; daughter Terry Sohns of Canyon Country; grandsons Wesley and Brian of Canyon Country; sisters Leora Galston of Coolidge, Arizona, Gleta Jackson of Mesa, Arizona, Jerlene Christian of Squaw Valley and many nieces and nephews. Mr. Wallace was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps who served in the Asiatic-Pacific region and with the occupation troops in Japan following the war. He was a Master Mason and a member of Lambskin Lodge No. 560 of St. Louis, Missouri.

Born April 20, 1924 in Kennet, Dunkin County, Missouri, John Edward Wallace was 64 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Bessie M. Davidson

Bessie Marie Davidson ws born March 27, 1916 and passed away Nov. 4 following major surgery at San Joaquin hospital in Bakersfield.

She is survived by one son, William Early Davidson of Horn Lake, Mississippi and two grandchildren; two brothers John Parish of Kansas City, MO and Henry Parish of Bodfish.

Marie was a member of the Eagles Lodge drill team in Mt. Mesa.

Wednesday
Dec. 25, 1991

OBITUARY

William H. Moore

A memorial service was conducted at the KRV Elks Lodge Wofford Heights on Wednesday Dec. 18 for William H. "Bill" Moore of Wofford Heights. Officiating were officers of KRV Elks Lodge No. 2358 BPOE. Mr. Moore passed away at home Dec. 14.

He is survived by his wife Jennie of Wofford Heights; daughters Ellen Glasshapel of Flagstaff, Pam Beebe of Pueblo, Colorado, Pat Roepke of Whittier; sons William of Anaheim, Greg of Covina and Randy of LaVerne; one sister Clara Louise Moyer of Phoenix and nine grandchildren.

Bill was retired from the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad as freight sales manager. He was an Elk and a Mason and member of the KRV Elks Lodge No. 2358 and KRV Masonic Lodge No. 827. During WW II, Bill served with the U.S. Navy as a pharmacist's mate. He had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 11 years.

Born July 9, 1925, in Victor, Colorado, William Hamilton Moore was 66 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Cremation by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 25, 1991

OBITUARY

Mary Nestell

A memorial service was conducted Thursday, Dec. 19 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Mary A. Nestell of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey, Pastor of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Mrs. Nestell passed away Dec. 16 at home.

She is survived by daughter Dolores Martineau of Rosamond, daughter Diana Forbes of Alta Sierra; daughter Betty Wasil of Avila Beach; sons Tommy Lambert of Montana, Joseph Dorris of Colorado; sister Betty Moody of Canada and friend Billy Radford of Lake Isabella; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mary was a member of the KRV Senior Citizens, AARP and VFW Auxiliary. She had attended church at the Mt. View Southern Baptist and was a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 32 years. Born Jan. 28, 1911 in Ottawa, Canada, Mary Alexandra Nestell was 80 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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Robert T. Merriam

Robert Trieb Merriam passed away Dec. 22 at Kern Valley Hospital. He was born in Phoenix, Arizona on April 23, 1908 and was 83 years of age. He was a resident of Squirrel Valley and had lived in the Kern River Valley for the past 23 years.

A memorial mass was held Friday, Dec. 27 at 9 a.m. at the St. Jude's Catholic Church in Wofford Heights. Monsignor Anthony Herdegen officiated.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Rose of Squirrel Valley; a daughter Audrey Hamilton of Alexandria, Virginia; three grandchildren, Nadja Morales of El Paso, Texas, Alendra Hamilton of Berkley, California and Edward Hamilton of Sunnyvale, California, and one great granddaughter.

Bob Merriam was a prisoner of war at Santa Thomas in the Phillipines for 3 and one-half years during World War II. Upon release he was sent by John Hopkins University to the Naval Ordinance Test Station at China Lake, where he remained until retirement in 1968 as an electronic engineer.

Bob Merriam was involved in the formulation of the Kern Valley Historical Society Museum, served as curator for 15 years and was later named Curator Emeritus. He was a member of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, South Fork Property Owners Association, Kern River Valley Historical Society and several other local organizations. He was a member of St. Jude's Catholic church.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in memory of Robert Merriam to the Kern River Valley Historical Society or the American Cancer Society.

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OBITUARY

Herbert L.Kent

A memorial service was held at the First Presbyterian Church for Herbert Kent, O.D.

Dr. Kent graduated from U.C. Berkeley School of Optometry in 1932 began his practice in Sebastopol and had practiced in Fresno since 1935. Dr. Kent was a life member of the American Optometric Association and California Optometric Association, past president of the Central California Optometric Society and first president of the Flying Optometrists of America.

He was past director and president of the American Optometric Foundation and a founding member of the Optometrists Professional Associates and Investment Club. He was a member of the Quiet Birdsmen and Silver Wings, life member of the Elks Club, a member of the California Historical Society, volunteer worker and contributor to the Cornerstone Church. He was also a member of the Fresno County Sheriff's Air Squadron and past General Chairman of the Interprofessional Forum on Reading.

Surviving are his daughter Patricia Smayda; son in law Robert Smayda and two grandsons Anthony and Alex Smayda all of Walnut Creek and a brother. Paul Kent, O.D., and sister-in-law Marie Kent, both of Santa Rosa.

Dr. Herbert Lucas Kent was born March 26, 1910.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers contributions to the American Optometric Foundation, 533 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1149 Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

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OBITUARY

Pat Jane Stover

A funeral service will be held Saturday, Dec. 28 at 10 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Pat Jane Stover of Lake Isabella. Officiating was pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel Methodist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Stover was born Dec. 13, 1928 in Hannibal, Missouri and died Dec. 24 in Mt. Mesa. She was 63 years old. She is survived by her husband of 46 years Delmon Stover of Lake Isabella; daughters Dorothy Werno of Lake Isabella, Darla Sink of Costa Mesa; sons Delmon Stover Jr. of Hawaii, Donald Stover of Sheldon, Connecticut; 14 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Mrs. Stover was a nine year resident of the Kern Valley.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Lillian Kinseth

Lillian G. Kinseth of Lake Isabella died Dec. 15 at Kern Valley Hospital at the age of 58.

Mrs. Kinseth was born Jan. 3, 1933 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. She was a housewife and lived in Wofford Heights for three years.

She is survived by her son Raymond Kinseth of Wofford Heights; sons Ronald Zurek, of Wofford Heights, Steven Zurek, of Chippewa Falls, WI, stepsons, David Loosemore, Danny Loosemore of Michigan; daughters Carla Myer of Wofford Heights, Tami Zurek and Trudy Day, both of of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; brothers Robert Price, Joe Price, Kenneth Price, sisters Florence Halcuist, Betty Stelzer, half brother Art Carrol of Eau Claire, WI.

Services were held Dec. 16 at the First Baptist Church of Kernville. Cremation and burial will be held later in Wisconsin.

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OBITUARY

Bettie J. McGrew

Bettie Jane McGrew of Kernville passed away at Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. A memorial service was conducted Saturday, Dec. 21 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. James Lee pastor of the Valley Community Church, Lake Isabella.

Mrs. McGrew is survived by her husband of 51 years Warner of Kernville; sons Warner R. and Keith both of Santa Barbara; sisters Jonita Walters of Tuscon, AZ, Madeline Keith of Hawaii, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.,

Born April 18, 1921 in Stigler, Haskell County, Oklahoma, Bettie Jane McGrew was 70 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Cremations arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Edna Jane Hanna

A graveside service was held Monday, Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. at Eternal Valley Cemetery in Newhall for Edna Jane Hanna of Kernville. Officiating was Mel Hetrick. Edna was born Oct. 8, 1903 in Dunning, Nebraska and died Dec. 6 in Ridgecrest. She was 88 years old. She was preceded in death by her husband Eugene Hanna in 1971 and her son Kenneth Dale Hanna Dec. 7, 1991.

She is survived by her sons Leonard Eugene Hanna of Kansas, Richard Hanna of North Dakota, Ralph Hanna of California, Herbert Hanna of California; daughters Donna Smith of Tenn, Phyllis Stuckey of Ridgecrest and 35 grandchildren. Edna was a 21 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

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OBITUARY

Elliott N. Lathrop

Elliott Norton Lathrop, recently of Bakersfield, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28. He was 85 years old.

He is surivived by his daughters, Virginia Gafken of Denton, Texas; Barbara Trexle of Littleton, Colorado; Susan Kirn of Palo Alto, and Marjorie Clack of Kernville and by five grandchildren.

Born Oct. 25, 1906, in East Orange, New Jersey, Elliott was the son of John Kasson Lathrop and Abbie Elliott (Smiley). He attended Mohonk School for Boys in New York and Amherst College, in Massachusetts.

For 35 years, he was employed at Sterling Drugs, in New York City as a cashier in payrolls. During WW II, he served his country as a staff sergeant with the 893rd Signal Corps Aviation Depot, stationed in Calcutta, India.

He was a member of the Elks, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and the Flabush Tompkins Congregational church, Brooklyn, New York.

A memorial service was held Dec. 29 at Hillcrest Memorial Park and Mortuary in Bakersfield. Tom McKinney officiated.

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OBITUARY

Roland (Bud) Prielipp

Services were held at graveside on Saturday, Jan. 4 at Kern Valley District Cemetery for long time prominent Kern Valley resident Roland (Bud) Prielipp who passed away suddenly at the age of 62. Pastor Jerry Ruff of Wofford Heights officiated.

Mr. Prielipp was past owner of the North Fork trailer Park in Kernville. He owned and operated Bud's Mobilehome Repair and resided in Onyx. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose No. 498 of Lake Isabella.

Bud leaves his wife, Nat; son Cap and his wife Stephanie and their children Chase and Colbie; a daughter Shirley Strong and husband Tom and children Tommy II and Sue; a brother Ken and his wife Lois and sister Letha and husband Phil Drier of Tustin and many other family members and loved ones.

He will be missed in the valley for his professional work and services he performed with pride to each client who came his way.

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OBITUARY

Mary Burdick

A memorial service was conducted Monday, Jan. 6 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints, for Mary Burdick of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Carmen Pinkston. Mrs. Burdick passed away Dec. 31 at home following illness.

She is survived by her sons John of Santa Monica, Don of Lake Isabella, Jeff of Georgetown, Texas; sister Jean Liechty of Newport Beach, aunt Esther Spare of Lake Isabella and three grandchildren.

Born Nov. 19, 1930 in Hawaii, Mary Elna Burdick was 61 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Ethel R. Kerr

A memorial service will be held at the First Baptist church of Lake Isabella at 3781 Suhre Street in Lake Isabella on Thursday, Jan. 9 at 11 a.m. for Ethel R. Kerr, Dr. David Snow and her grandson, Rev. R.L. Perrin of Leona Valley will officiate. Ethel was the oldest charter member of this church.

Ethel R. Kerr was born on Jan. 1, 1896 in Los Angeles and died on Dec. 29, 1991 in the Kern Valley Hospital. She would have been 96 years on Jan. 1. She had lived in the Kern Valley since 1964. She and her late husband Walter Kerr, had lived here previously and returned to make it their home. She was a member of the Good Sams and also leaves many friends as she lived here her last 27 years.

Her survivors include her son Walter Perrin of Granada Hills, her grandsons Rev. R.L. Perrin of Leona Valley and Dr. Robert G. Perrin of Knoxville, Tennessee; her great granddaughter Tammi Perrin and great grandsons Bear, Christopher Lee, John Robert and Michael George Perrin.

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OBITUARY

Susie Annabelle Jarrett

Services were held Tuesday, Dec. 31 in Ridgecrest for Susie Annabelle Jarrett, 76 years of Lake Isabella who died Dec. 27 at the Beverly Manor Convalescent Hospital in Ridgecrest.

Mrs. Jarrett was born Sept. 2, 1915 in Dundee, Texas. She was a homemaker and lived in Lake Isabella from 1965 to 1990.

She is survived by her son and daughter in law, Jerry and Cathy Seglar, of Ridgecrest; son Selba Seglar of Lake Isabella; sister Valerie Scruggs of Burbernett, Texas and Mary Seglar of Electra, Texas; granddaughter and husband Tammy and Mike Thoms of Ridgecrest; granddaughter and husband Deborah and David Harper of Ridgecrest and great grandson Michael Wayne Harper of Ridgecrest.

Mrs. Jarrett was buried at Kern Valley Cemetery.

Virginia E. Walter

A memorial service was conducted Saturday, Jan. 11 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Virginia Walter of Wofford Heights. Prayers and eulogy were delivered by family and friends. Mrs. Walter passed away Jan. 4 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital, Bakersfield.

She is survived by her husband George Lee Walter of Wofford Heights; mother Elinor Headley of Kernville; brothers Don Headley of Wofford Heights, Ray Headley of Alhambra, Gene Headley of Modesto; daughter Colleen Jenkins of Lake Havasu, Arizona; son Mike Brinkley of Lake Havasu; grandchildren Matthew and Melissa of Lake Havasu.

Virginia was a nurse's aide and had moved to the Kern Valley two years ago.

Born June 3, 1935 in San Pedro, Virginia Estelle Walter was 56 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Ronald Mankhey

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Jan. 9 at the Valley Mortuary chapel Lake Isabella for Ronald Dee Mankhey of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, pastor of the Valley Community church of Lake Isabella. Mr. Mankhey passed away Jan.5 in Paso Robles.

He is survived by his wife Sunday of Bodfish; mother Alice Schropp of Bodfish; daughters Gina Moe of Las Vegas, Jamie Mankhey of Henderson, Nevada, Stacie Mankhey also of Henderson; son Randall Mankhey, two grandchilden and sister Cindy Mankhey of Bodfish.

Born Sept. 13, 1946 in San Pedro, California, Ronald Dee Mankhey was 45 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Michael Irvin Oney

Michael Irvin Oney of Moraine, Ohio passed away Dec. 29 in Dayton, Ohio. Michael was a graduate of Woodrow Wallace Elementary and a 1982 graduate of Kern Valley High School. He had been living in Ohio for the past six years working as a plumber of DAYCO plumbing. He is survived by his mother and step father Vivian and James Boughton of Lake Isabella; wife Milissa Ann of Lake Isabella; father Mr. B. Oney of Ohio; brothers Andrew of Ohio, James and Ronald both of Lake Isabella; grandmother Rosie Ferguson of Kentucky.

Funeral services for Michael were conducted Jan. 1 in Moraine, Ohio. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery where grave dedication was made by Mr. Vernon Nelson of the LDS Church of Mt. Mesa.

Born July 15, 1964 in Sun Valley, California, Michael Irvin Oney was 27 years of age. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary

Max Hansen

Max W. Hansen passed away Friday, Jan. 10 at Kern Valley Hospital. He was 70 years old.

He is survived by his wife Jessie; sons Kirk and his wife Susan, Kim and his wife Carolynne and two grandchildren, Lisa and Jason.

A private memorial service was held. Cremation by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Wayne Wilson

Wayne D. Wilson of Southlake passed away at home Jan. 7 following illness. He is survived by his wife of 53 years Carrie of Southlake; son Larry Wilson of City of Industry; daughters Barbara Pierce of Redding, Norma Wilson of Bakersfield, Toni Mallory of Weldon; brother Len Wilson of Ontario, Oregon; sister Dora Decker of Boise, Idaho and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted Tuesday, Jan. 14 in Weiser, Idaho at the Chapel of the Thomason Funeral Home in Idaho. Officiating was pastor Skip Collier of Carson City, NV. Interment of cremated remains at the Weiser Cemetery, Weiser, Idaho. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary, Lake Isabella.

Donations in memory of Wayne Wilson may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 435 Wofford Heights or the Kern Valley Hospital Foundation, P.O. Box 3569 Lake Isabella. Born July 9, 1917 in Council, Idaho, Wayne Dwight Wilson was 74 years of age.

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OBITUARY

Opal Cromwell

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, Jan. 12 at the United Methodist Church in Weldon for Opal Cromwell of Southlake. Officiating were Rev. John Carpenter, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene Lake Isabella and interim pastor of the Weldon Methodist Church and Rev. Floyd Castillo, pastor of the United Methodist Church, Highland Chapel, Lake Isabella. Mrs. Cromwell passed away Jan. 6 at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles.

She is preceded in death by her husband Dale P. Cromwell deceased Feb. 27, 1989. Opal is survived by her sons Gary Cromwell of Covina, Normal Kahlhoff of Silverton, Oregon; daughters Myrna Watson of Lakewood, Connie Glenn of Castaic, ten grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Opal Cromwell is a graduate of Wayne State University where she obtained a teaching degree. She had resided in the Kern Valley for the past 14 years and was a member of the Historical Society, the Violet Club, the Organ Club, the South Fork Women's Club, Weldon Methodist Church and past President of the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Weldon United Methodist Church.

Born Dec. 19, 1911 in Tilden, Madison County, Nebraska, Opal Regina Cromwell was 80 years of age. Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary,.

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OBITUARY

Eddie Russell

A memorial service was conducted Monday, Jan. 6 at the Eagles Lodge in Mt. Mesa for Edward Wilson "Eddie" Russell of Southlake. Officiating were officers of KRV Eagles Lodge Aerie 3156. Mr. Russell passed away Dec. 28 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife June of Southlake; daughter Neisha Culver of Tulsa, Oklahoma; son Jack Russell of Southlake; granddaughter Jayme Ervast of Portland, Oregon; great grandson Ty Ervast of Portland; aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wilson of Petaluma.

Eddie Russell was a WW II veteran of the U. S. Navy who served in both European and Pacific waters. He was a member of the Eagles, the Moose and VFW. Military honors at the Memorial service were rendered by officers of KRV Post 7665. Born March 21, 1916 in Oklahoma, Edward Russell was 75 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Fred Schrier

A memorial service was conducted Friday, Jan. 3 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Frederick Valentine Schrier of Lake Isabella. Officiating were Mr. Fred Dodds and Mr. Joel Astor. Mr. Schrier passed away Dec. 31 at the Kern Valley Hospital. He is survived by his late wife's daughters Maxine, Jolene and Beth, son J.L. Hall and families. Fred was retired from service with the City of Ventura and had been a resident of the Ken Valley for more than 20 years.

Born Feb. 16. 1909 in Deadwood, Lawrence County, South Dakota, Frederick "Fred" Valentine Schrier was 82 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Florence Ballesters

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Tuesday, Jan. 14 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church, Wofford Heights for Florence S. Ballesters of Southlake. Celebrant of the Mass was Monsignor A.G. Herdegen, Pastor of St. Jude Parish.

Mrs. Ballesters passed away Jan. 10 at the Kern Valley Hospital, Mt. Mesa. She is survived by her husband Lawrence of Southlake, nephew Tony Anderson of Torrance, cousins Harold and Ernest Esbolt both of Southern California.

Born Dec. 11, 1902 in Illinois, Florence Sophia Ballesters was 89 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangement: Valley Mortuary.

Cordelia H. Wade

Cordelia Hill Wade of Squirrel Valley passed away Jan. 10 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital, Bakersfield.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, R.F. Wade of Squirrel Valley; daughter Diana of Squirrel Valley, son John of Cypress; sisters Jane Smith of Brentwood and Suzanne Hill also of Brentwood.

Born July 4, 1919 in Boise, Idaho, Cordelia H. Wade was 72 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Margaret S. Barnett

Margaret Barnett of Lake Isabella passed away Jan. 11 at the Memorial Hospital, Bakersfield. Margaret is preceded in death by husband Robert deceased in 1988 and sister Blanche Turner deceased in 1991.

She is survived by sister Kay Jones of Bakersfield; brothers Leroy Smith of Canby, Oregon, Richard Smith of Duncanville, Texas; step daughter Dollie Posey of Houston, Texas and nieces and nephews in California, Indiana and Georgia.

Born Aug. 15, 1904 in Texas, Margaret Smith Barnett was 87 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Marie Thornton

A memorial mass will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25 at 9 a.m. at the St. Jude's Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Marie Thornton, 90. Marie passed away Jan. 19 in a Bakersfield nursing facility.

A complete obituary will follow next week.

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Jan. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Mable Sauer Welsch

Mable Sauer Welsch, 76, died Dec. 26 at the Bakersfield Memorial Hospital following surgery.

She was born Aug. 6, 1915 in Provo, Utah, daughter of Robert and Austa Sauer. Married August Welsch, Aug. 31, 1955 in Los Angeles. Graduated from Provo High School and attended BYU. She was active in the LDS church and held many responsible positions in the Auxiliary organization of the church. She was a compassionate, friendly woman and helped wherever she was needed. She was a loving wife to her husband and her brothers and sister respected her a a choice person. After her parents died, she moved to California where she was employed.

She is survived by her husband, of Lake Isabella; sister Gertrude Humphries of Murray, Utah and preceded in death by two sisters and two brothers.

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Jan. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Frank Fleming

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, Jan. 18 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Franchot Frome "Frank" Fleming of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene of Lake Isabella and interim pastor of the United Methodist Church of Weldon. Mr. Fleming passed away Jan. 12 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years Juanita of Lake Isabella; son Sterling of Temple City; daughters Jennifer of Alhambra, Sonja of North Hollywood; brother Paul of Alhambra; sister Carol Fisher of Reno, Nevada; mother Lois Fleming of Alhambra and grandchildren.

Frank was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. He was for the last few years, the owner and operator of El Vaquero Restaurant in Wofford Heights.

Born Dec. 9, 1934 in Coopers, West Virginia, Franchot Frome "Frank" Fleming was 57 years of age.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Jan. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Jewel Eugene Johns

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights on Wednesday, Jan. 15 for Jewel Eugene Johns of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. James Lee pastor of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella. Mr. Johns passed away Jan. 11 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife Violet of Lake Isabella; sons Don of Diamond Bar, Foster of Washington state, Charles of Huntington Beach, Ronald of Redondo Beach, David of Grand Terrace, CA; daughter Sandra Ruth Mittan of Lakewood, 17 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Mr. Johns was a member of the Moose KRV Lodge No. 498, the Bodfish Beamers and was retired from the McDonnel-Douglas Corp.

Born April 21, 1917 in Quanah, Texas, Jewel Eugene Johns was 74 years of age.

Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary. Interment of cremated remains at the Kern River Valley Cemetery where graveside honors were rendered by officers of the Moose.

Wednesday
Jan. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Buster Thompson

A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. today at the Masonic Temple on James Road in Kernville for Buster Thompson of Lake Isabella. Officiating will be officers of KRV Masonic Lodge No. 827. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights will follow.

Consult next week's Kern Valley Sun for a complete obituary.

Wednesday
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OBITUARY

Beverley Jean Stoddard

Beverley Jean Stoddard was born in South Dakota on Feb. 18, 1927. She grew up in that small town, completing high school. She later went to work in Aberdeen as an accountant a profession that would be hers for life. She married Vern Price on June 19, 1945. Therir marriage brought them four children.

Afterl their retirement, they moved to Bodfish in Oct. 1990 and became members of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church. After a period of illness, Beverley died on Jan. 18, one month before her 65th birthday.

Beverley is survived by Vern, h er husband for 46 years; sons Michael of San Diego, Bruce of Riverside and Tim of Montclair and daughter Cherie Morisset of Ontario. Her grandchildren Crysral, Amber, Tina, Christa and Chad. She is also survived by her brother, Perry Stoddard of Chisholm, Minnesota.

Services were held in Riverside on Jan. 22 by Pastor Flody Castillo of the Highland Chapel.

Funeral services are pending for David A. Behm, a 1987 graduate of Kern Valley High School who died Jan. 22, 1992 in Marysville. A complete obituary will be published next week.

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OBITUARY

Buster Thompson

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the Masonic Temple, James Road in Kernville for Buster Provow Thompson of Lake Isabella. Officiating were officers of KRV Masonic Lodge No. 827 F & AM.

Mr. Thompson passed away Jan. 15 at the San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years Alberta of Lake Isabella; brothers Willie Thompson of Tennessee, Homer Thompson of Illinois; sisters Iva Glasco of Tennessee, Nell Childers of Kansas; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Buster Thompson was a military veteran of WW II, a Master Mason and a member of KRV Masonic Lodge No 827. He had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 12 years.

Born May 4, 1917 in Tennessee, Buster P. Thompson was 74 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

John McLaren, Sr.

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Jan. 23, graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights for John Andrew "Jack" McLaren, Sr. of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. Duane Splawn, Pastor of the Kern River Valley Christian Church of Southlake.

Mr. McLaren passed away Jan. 17 at Memorial Hospital, Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, of Bodfish, son John Andrew, Jr. and grandchildren. Mr. McLaren had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 22 years.

Born July 30, 1911, in San Mateo, California, John A. McLaren, Sr. was 80 years of age. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary

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Ernst Georg Knittle

A memorial service was conducted Monday, Jan. 27 at the KRV Elks Lodge, Wofford Heights for Ernst Georg Knittle, of Wofford Heights. Officiating were officers of KRV Elks Lodge No. 2358 B.P.O.E.

Mr. Knittle passed away Jan. 19 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife, Anna Marie of Wofford Heights.

Born Oct. 5, 1922 in Germany. Ernst Georg Knittle was 69 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary

Marie Theresa Thornton

Marie Thornton of Kernville passed away Jan. 19 at the California Care Center in Bakersfield.

She is survived by one sister Agnes of San Jose, niece Joan Hurt of Long Beach.

Mrs. Thornton had resided in Kern County for the past 60 years.

Born Sept. 21, 1901 in South Dakota, Marie T. Thornton was 90 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary

Milton Adelbert Hamm

Milton Adelbert Hamm passed away Friday, Jan. 17 at Kern Valley Hospital. Born July 7, 1914 in Chandler, Arizona, he was 77 years old.

He farmed in the Imperial Valley until 1959 when he began a career with CalTrans. While employed with CalTrans he was active in CSEA, forming a new chapter. He retired from CalTrans in 1978, as a highway maintenance supervisor. Following his retirement he moved to Lake Isabella where he had owned a home since 1969.

He is survived by a sister, Almedia Simmons of Roslyn, Washington; son John Hamm of Lexington, SC; daughter Leslie Stewart of Lake Isabella; son Dale Hamm of Lake Isabella; 8 grandchildren, one great grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lloyd O. Moger

A funeral service was conducted graveside at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Height for Lloyd Obert Moger of Bodfish. Officiating was Rev. James Lee, Pastor of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Moger passed away Jan. 20 at the Royale Gardens Health Care Facility in Grants Pass, Oregon.

He is survived by his daughter Lois Gunsten of Lancaster, daughter Nancy Dianne Moger of Lancaster, three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Moger had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 23 years.

Born Oct. 17, 1903 in South Dakota, Lloyd Obert Moger was 88 years of age. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
Feb. 5, 1992

OBITUARY -

Charlotte Casas

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated Friday Jan. 24 at the St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Charlotte M. Casas of Weldon. Celebrant of the mass was Rev. Monsignor Anthony G. Herdegen, Pastor of the St. Jude Parish. Rosary was recited before mass. Mrs. Casas passed away Jan. 20 at home following illness.

Charlotte is preceded in death by her husband of 37 years Peter "Pete" Casas. She is survived by her daughter and son in law Barbara and Harold E. Reeder of Weldon; son and daughter in law Alan and Barbara Ann Casas of Mt. Mesa; grandsons Michael Alan Gaynor and wife Julie of Upland, Mark Alan Casas and wife Shawn of El Centro, and two great grandchildren.

Charlotte was a member of the St. Jude Parish Altar Society and the St. Vincent De Paul Society. Charlotte and her late husband Peter were active members of the St. Jude Parish. Charlotte had been a resident of the Kern Valley for the past 12 years.

Born Jan. 19, 1923 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Charlotte Marie Casas was 69 years of age.

Interment at the Resurrection Cemetery, South San Gabriel where graveside services were conducted by Rev. Duane Splawn, Pastor of the Kern River Valley Christian Church of Southlake. Rev. Splawn also officiated at a service of remembrance and prayer for Charlotte at the Valley Mortuary Chapel, Lake Isabella on Jan. 23.

Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Mae Seidell Lamkin

Mae Seidell Lamkin, 85, former Kernville resident died Jan. 29 after a brief illness in Sylmar. She was born June 19, 1906 in Perry Township, Ohio.

She joined Daughters of the American Revolution on 1929 and was a member of the Alliklik Chapter. Rev. Ron McCoy of Santa Clarita Church of Religious Science officiated the service on Jan. 26 in Oakwood Cemetery in Chatsworth.

She is survived by two daughters, Donna Yantis of Newhall, Nancy Archambeau of Castaic; four granddaughters Toni Amoroso of Moorpark, Caryn Thompson of Isabella Highlands, Cynthia Jacobs of Bakersfield and Gina White of Newhall; two grandsons, Melo Amoroso of Murrieta and John Amoroso of Camarillo and 10 great-grandchildren.

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Feb. 5, 1992

OBITUARY

David Anthony Behm

A Mass of Christian burial was offered on Saturday, Feb. 1 at the St. Joseph's Church in Marysville for David Anthony Behm of Marysville, formerly of the Kern River Valley. Rev. Patrick Lee officiated.

David Anthony Behm died Jan. 24 at Rideout Hospital at the age of 23 years.

He is survived by his father LeRoy Behm of Marysville and paternal grandparents Leo and Verna Behm of Port Orchard, Washington.

Behm graduated from Kern Valley High School in 1987 and was a wrestling coach at Lindhurst High School in Marysville.

Anona Eisenhauer

A funeral service was conducted Monday, Jan. 27 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Mt. Mesa for Anona Brooks Williams Eisenhauer of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Brother C.D. Pinkston of the LDS ministry of the Kern River Valley with prayers and eulogy by family and friends. Mrs. Eisenhauer passed away Jan. 21 at Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa following illness.

Anona is survived by her husband Robert "Bob' Eisenhauer, Sr. son and daughter in law Bob Jr. and Patsy, son and daughter in law Mark and Beth, daughter and son in law Lynn and Ed Bernstein, grandchildren Katie and Adam Eisenhauer, Ronna, Johanna, Tammy, Maya, Elizabeth, Lindsay and Michael Bernstein and Cody and Mark Eisenhauer, Jr. Anona is also survived by brothers Carl and John Williams and sisters Barbara Marshall and Bobby Ann Lindsay.

Mrs. Eisenhauer was a resident of the Kern Valley for the past eight years having been a "weekender" since 1965; formerly residing in Acton. She was a member of the LDS church in Mt. Mesa.

Born July 3, 1933 in North Hollywood Los Angeles county, daughter of John Earl and Lillian Granger Williams, Anona Brooks Williams Eisenhauer was 58 years of age.

Interment at the Kern Valley Cemetery, Wofford Heights. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Alexander Vasta

Alexander Arthur Vasta passed away Jan. 27 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. He is survived by his wife of 18 years Constance of Lake Isabella, son Ray Vasta of Anaheim, daughters Sandra Seipel of Vista, Mary Agular of Corona and six grandchildren. Mr. Vasta was a WW II Veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard who served in the Atlantic Ocean aboard the USS Van Buren and the U.S Coast Guard Cutter Storis.

Born July 26, 1923 in New York City, New York, Alexander Arthur Vasta was 58 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Ren Thomas

A memorial service was conducted at the Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier for Ren Frank Thomas of Bodfish. Mr. Thomas passed away Jan. 22 at Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Shirley of Bodfish; brother Ed, niece Andrea Langley of Sacramento, nephews Craig and Randy Thomas of California, Dennis Thomas of Montana and one great-niece Brittany.

Officiating at the memorial service held on Feb. 1 was deacon Art Romero.

Born Jan. 19, 1918 in Utah, Ren Frank Thomas was 74 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Feb. 5, 1992

OBITUARY

Walter "Boss" Petersen, Jr.

A graveside service was held on Friday, Jan. 31 at Hillcrest Memorial Park, in Bakersfield for Walter C. "Boss" Petersen, Jr., 81 of Kernville, who died Jan. 27. Bob Powers officiated.

Mr. Petersen was born in Oakland on May 17, 1910 and came to the Kern River Valley as a baby, where he lived all his life. He worked at the South Fork Elementary School for 25 years as a bus driver and worked at the Kernville Elementary School for 19 years retiring in 1972.

He leaves his wife of 62 years, Luteria Petersen; a son Walter L. Petersen; daughter Maxine Henslee of Oklahoma; two granddaughters; three great grandchildren and a loving sister, Thelma Frazier of Glennville.

His family requests donations be made to the Parkinson Foundation at Sansum Clinic, 317 W. Pueblo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93102. Arrangements: Hopson-Anspach Family Mortuary, Bakersfield.

Maria T. Alvarez

A funeral service was conducted Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for Maria Teresa Alvarez of Weldon. Officiating was Rev. Darlene Haynes.

Mrs. Alvarez passed away Jan. 30 at the Kern Valley Hospital Mt. Mesa.

She is survived by her sons Robert and wife Donna of Ontario, Ernie and wife Deidra of Whittier, John and wife Marie of Downey, David and wife Evelyn of Weldon, grandchildren Cynthia, Jimmy, Ryan, Christopher, Erin, Bernelle, Trisha, Rena, Veronica, Elena, Crystal and Mark.

Maria Alvarez was a member of the Kelso Valley Estates property owners Association. She had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 11 years.

Born Feb. 25, 1927 in Los Angeles, Maria Teresa Alvarez was 64 years of age. Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Margarite Keown

Margarite Keown of Wofford Heights passed away Feb. 1 at home following illness.

She is survived by her husband Ira of Wofford Heights, son Howard of Wofford Heights, brothers Scotty Westenkamp of Arizona, Jack Westenkamp of California, twin sister Marilyn Bertram of California and beloved pet dog "Ginger."

Mrs. Keown had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past 11 years.

Born Nov. 30, 1919 in Peotone, Will County, Illinois, Margarite Keown was 72 years of age. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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Wednesday
Feb. 12, 1992

OBITUARY

William Kinslow

A memorial service for "Bill" Kinslow will be conducted at the Shephard of the Hills Lutheran Church, 3920 Golden Spur St., Lake Isabella on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 11 a.m.

Officiating at the memorial service will be Rev. Tarry Nelson of Santa Cruz.

Bill is survived by Wilda, his wife of 64 years, daughter Jean Crider of Lakewood, Barbara Wells of Glendora and Janet Sigler of La Verne, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Bill was born on July 14, 1907 in Oakland, California and died in Kernville after a lengthy illness on Feb. 7, 1992. He retired from the transportation department at JPL, Pasadena after 27 years of service, then he and Wilda moved to Kernville in 1972 where he continued his construction talents in the community.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Kern River Hospice of St. John in Wofford Heights.

Tom Crain

Funeral services were conductean. 28 at Hughes Loma Linda Mortuary. Pastor Robert McIntyre officiated. Internment at Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside.

Mr. Crain passed away Jan. 22 at the VA Hospital in Loma Linda.

He is survived by his wife Betty of Weldon; daughter Nancy Larson of Weldon; two grandchildren, Tammy DeLong and Billy DeLong of Long Beach; two sisters and three brothers.

Mr. Crain was in the Air Force during WW II and served in the Phillippines.

Born in Lookeba, Oklahoma, on July 16, 1927, Tom Crain was 64 years of age.

Wednesday
Feb. 12, 1992

OBITUARY

Lucille Mayes

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for B. Lucille Mayes of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Fred Baker, Pastor of the United Methodist Church, Kernville.

Mrs. Mayes passed away Feb. 1 at the Edgwater Convalescent Hospital in Long Beach.

She is preceded in death by husband Curtis Cooley Mayes, deceased in 1979 and survived by brothers Tom Griffin and Austin Griffin both of Indiana, one sister Phyllis of Indiana, niece Anita Dickerson of Indiana, nephew and niece Steven Badger of Long Beach and Kelly Badger of Anaheim, grandnieces Shannon and Sasha of Anaheim.

Lucille was a retired teacher who had taught for many years at the Kernville Elementary School. She was a member of the California Teacher's Retirement System, the Kernville United Methodist Church, Order of the Eastern Star and the El Segundo Rod & Gun Club. Lucille and her husband, Curtis, were very active in church and Masonic work. Mr. Mayes was Past Master of KRV Masonic Lodge No. 827 of Kernville.

Born Aug.23, 1908 in Honey Creek, Delaware County, Indiana, B. Lucille Mayes was 83 years of age.

Interment at the Kern River Valley Cemetery where graveside honors and prayers were delivered by Rev. Baker and Officers of Kern River Valley Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 643. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Feb. 19, 1992

OBITUARY

Daniel Lee Connell

Daniel Lee Connell, age 62 and a resident of Weldon, passed away Jan. 30 at the San Fernando Valley VA hospital.

Mr. Connell was born March 13, 1929 at Louisville, Kentucky, the son of William J. Connell and Alta Maude Austin. He attended Crawfordsville school and was employed at RR Donnelley and Sons for 19 years. He also served in the US Air Force.

Dan was best known as one of the drivers of the Kern Valley's Rural Transit System - RTS - busses. He moved to the Kern Valley in 1977 and prior to that he was a weekend resident for many years. Dan had been a driver for RTS since 1981 and was one of the first drivers for the public transit system. He was still employed as a bus driver at the time of his death. Dan was instrumental in starting a petition and letter-writing campaign to get transfer control of Isabella lake from the management of the Corps of Engineers to the Forest Service.

Survivors include his daughter, Pam Martin of Crawfordsville, IN, sister DeVonna Joseph of Crawfordsville, IN. He is preceded in death by four brothers and one sister. In the Kern Valley, he leaves two grandchildren, Brandon Lee Cook of Bodfish and Michael David Hess also of Bodfish. He also leaves a dear friend, Al Jackson, who often accompanied Dan on his many trips to the high country to cut wood. Locally, Dan was a member of the Kern Valley Eagles Lodge.

Memorial Services were held Feb. 4 at the Oak Hill Tabernacle at Crawfordsville with Rev. Robert Millér officiating. Burial was at the Oak Hill Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana.

A memorial service is scheduled for Feb. 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge in Mt. Mesa.

Wednesday
Feb. 19, 1992

OBITUARY

Grace Thomason

A funeral service was conducted at the Memorial Chapel of the Oakwood Memorial Park Cemetery in Chatsworth, California for Grace Thomason of Las Vegas, formerly of Mt. Mesa. Officiating was Rev. Daniel R. Lyon, Evangelist and a member of Mrs. Thomason's family.

Mrs. Thomason passed away Feb. 7 at the Valley Hospital of Las Vegas.

Grace is preceded in death by her husband Alfred A. Thomason deceased in 1986, she is survived by her grandsons Alfred L. Thomason of Las Vegas, Merle Thomason of Valencia, great-granddaughter Tiffany of Valencia.

Grace Thomason moved to the Kern River Valley in 1983 and resided in the Mt. Mesa Trailer Park. She was a member of the KRV Senior Citizens and attended church at the Mt. Mesa Church of Christ.

Born Sept. 22, 1902 in Runnels County, Texas, Grace Thomason was 89 years of age. Interment at Oakwood Memorial Park, Chatsworth. Arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Tom Crain

Funeral services were conducted Jan. 28 at Hughes Loma Linda Mortuary with pastor Robert McIntyre officiating. Interment at Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside.

Mr. Crain passed away Jan. 22 at the VA Hospital in Loma Linda.

He is survived by his wife Betty of Weldon; daughter Nancy Larson of Weldon; two grandchildren, Tammy DeLong and Billy DeLong of Long Beach; two sisters and three brothers.

Mr. Crain was in the Air Force during WW II and served in the Phillippines.

Born in Lookeba, OK, on July 16, 1927, Tom Crain was 64 years of age.

Wednesday
Feb. 19, 1992

OBITUARY

Wilber Jay Branson

Wilber Jay Branson was born in the town of Waldron, Missouri on June 16, 1911. He married his wife Charlotte on October 11, 1936. Their marriage brought them endless joy and two wonderful sons. He began work as a watchmaker in Witchita, KS and later worked for McDonnell Douglas from 1939 until 1972, both as a master machinist and in management.

After his retirement, they moved to Bodfish in 1972 and became active in the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church. After a long period of fighting cancer, Wilber died on February 11, 1992 at home.

Wilber is survived by Charlotte, his wife of more than 55 years; sons Wayne Branson of Carson, CA and Bill Branson of Phoenix, AZ; nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Services were held in Highland Chapel on February 15, 1992 by Pastor Floyd R. Castillo and "Bo" Williams of Masonic Lodge 872. Contributions in memory of Wilber Jay Branson may be made to the Kern County Hospice or to the Memorial Fund of the Highland Chapel, 5301 Lake Isabella Blvd., Lake Isabella, CA 93240. Interment of cremated remains at the Kern River Valley Cemetery Wofford Heights. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Feb. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

John D. Myles

John Myles of Weldon passed away Feb. 16 at the Kern Valley Hospital Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife Annie of Weldon, daughter and son-in-law Letha and Henry Cates of Weldon, daughter and son-in-law Nina and Donald Wiseman of Weldon, son and daughter-in-law John and Carol Myles of Lincoln, CA, sisters Marge of Illinois and Dottie of Florida, one brother Warren Myles of Illinois, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

John D. Myles was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy who served with the Naval Construction Batallion (SeaBees). He had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past eight years.

Born May 7, 1916 in Yankton, South Dakota, John Donald Myles was 75 years of age. Interment of cremated remains at the Kern River Valley Cemetery. Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Feb. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

Walter F. Offholter

Walter F. Offholter of Weldon passed away Feb. 18 at the Valley Convalescent Hospital Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife Eleanor of Weldon, son Walter, Jr. of California, daughters Joyce Green of Tennessee, Nita Ann Vargus of California, sister Ruth McCain of Taft, one grandchild and one great-grandchild. Mr. Offholter was a member of the Moose, Eagles and VFW.

A memorial service was conducted for Mr. Offholter at the KRV Moose Lodge No. 498 on Saturday, Feb. 22. Officiating were officers of the Moose and VFW.

Born Feb. 10, 1911 in Oklahoma, Walter Floyd Offholter was 81 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
Feb. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

James E. Chase

James E. Chase of Wofford Heights passed away Feb. 19 at Mercy Hospital Bakersfield following long illness. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Chase of Simi Valley and one granddaughter.

Mr. Chase had been a resident of the Kern River Valley since 1984. He was retired from the construction industry.

Born Sept. 5, 1928 in Santa Monica, California, James Edward Chase was 63 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

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Wednesday
Feb. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

Lee A. Burkett

Mr. Lee Anderson Burkett was born to Anderson and Lucy Burkett in Paducah, TX, Jan. 10, 1916 and died in Bakersfield, CA Feb. 10, 1992, just 31 days after his 76th birthday.

He was married to Kay Carter on Oct. 7, 1963. She preceded him in death in March of 1991. His surviving children are Garry Burkett and Linda Promenchenkel, of Southern California. The grandchildren are Richard Burkett, Lori Burkett, Cathy Promenchenkel, and Michael Promenchenkel. There are also four great grandchildren: Samantha, Ashley, and Brandon Promenchenkel and John Burkett. Also surviving are two brothers: Jim Burkett, of Long Beach, CA and Claude Burkett, of Clovis, NM, and two sisters: Dee Williams, of Diamond Bar, CA and Ollie MacFarland of Idaho.

Shortly after his birth, Lee Burkett's parents moved from Paducah, TX to Portalas, NM. When he was about 17 years old, Lee was baptized into Christ. He lived in various places in the New Mexico area until he moved to California in 1941. He worked for Mobile Oil Company in Torrance for 20 years. He also worked, for a few years, as a machinist. Then, he moved to Eugene, OR and worked as a millright. Finally, in 1976, he retired and moved to Kern Valley and settled in Mount Mesa, CA. He was able to maintain his home there until the end.

Wednesday
Feb. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

Mildred O. Byers

A memorial service was conducted on Saturday, Feb. 22 at Riverside Park in Kernville for Mildred Opal Byers. She passed away on Feb. 15 in Porterville, CA at the age of 83.

Mrs. Byers was born in Colorado Springs, CO and had been a resident of Kernville for 36 years where she was the store manager of Road's End for 14 years and a member of the Methodist Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband Clar Byers and survived by her son Clar Byers, Jr. of Porterville, CA; daughter Barbara Dillard of Medford, OR; five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Cremation arrangements by Myers Funeral Service and Crematory of Porterville, CA.

Wednesday
Mar. 4, 1992

OBITUARY -

Phil D. Cutler

Phil D. Cutler of Lake Isabella passed away Feb. 29 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife Jeanne of Lake Isabella, son Rene Cutler of Glendora, daughter Shirley Campini of Bishop, brothers Cal of Morro Bay, Glen of San Diego, Harmon of Los Angeles, sister Monte Trenberth of Redondo Beach, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Born July 29, 1909 in Utah, Phil D. Cutler was 82 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

John D. Myles

John Myles of Weldon passed away Feb. 16 at the Kern Valley Hospital Mt. Mesa.

He is survived by his wife Annie of Weldon, daughter and son-in-law Letha and Henry Cates of Weldon, son and daughter-in-law Donald and Nina Wiseman of Weldon, son and daughter-in-law John and Carol Myles of Lincoln, CA sisters Marge of Illinois and Dottie of Florida, one brother Warren Myles of Illinois, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

John D. Myles was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy who served with the Naval Construction Battalion (SeaBees).

He had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past eight years. Born May 7, 1916 in Yankton, South Dakota, John Donald Myles was 75 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Kern River Valley Cemetery, Cremation arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 4, 1992

OBITUARY

George G. Brewer

A funeral service was conducted Wednesday, Feb. 26 at the Memorial Chapel of the United States National Cemetery Riverside. California for George G. Brewer of Southlake. Officiating was Mr. Joel Astor representing KRV VFW Post 7665, KRV Post 711 American Legion and Chapter 54 Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

Mr. Brewer passed away Feb. 23 at home following illness.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years Pearl of Southlake, mother Mildred Brewer of Santa Maria, brother James Brewer of Santa Maria, son and daughter-in-law Larry and Liz of LaMirada, son and daughter-in-law David and Sandra also of LaMirada, daughter Jodie and son-in-law Greg of Whittier, daughter Diane of Chino, daughter Elaine and son-in-law Rick of Oregon, 10 grandchildren.

George Brewer was a U.S. Navy veteran of both WWII and Korea. He served aboard ship in the Asiatic-Pacific region during WWII and received two bronze battle stars. During the Korean conflict he again served aboard ship in Korean waters.

Mr. Brewer was retired after more than 37 years of service with the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. and had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past six years. Here in the valley Mr. Brewer was a member of the Elks and the Eagles.

Born Oct. 23, 1926 in Los Angeles, George Gardiner Brewer was 65 years of age. Arrangements be Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 4, 1992

OBITUARY

Joseph F. Schwingl

A funeral service was conducted Thursday, Feb. 27 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel, Lake Isabella for Joseph F. Schwingl of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Rev. Deryl Lackey pastor of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Schwingl passed away Feb. 24 at the Kern Medical Center Hospital Bakersfield.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years Maxine of Wofford Heights, son Glenn of Wofford Heights, daughter Linda Ramos of Wofford Heights, grandchildren Katie, Brad, Chris and Wayne, great-grandchildren Wayne, Chris, Cassie and Matt.

During WWII Joseph Schwingl served as a gun crewman with the 498th Armored Field Artillery Battalion in combat in North Africa and Europe. As a result of his service he was awarded two Bronze Battle Stars and the Bronze Star Medal.

Mr. Schwingl had been a resident of the Kern River Valley for the past two years. Born Dec. 12, 1912 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, Joseph Frank Schwingl was 79 years of age.

Interment at the Rose Hills Memorial Park Cemetery Whittier, CA. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Anthony Matuzak

Anthony Matuzak was born in Duluth, Montana, Nov. 4, 1916 and died Feb. 16, 1992 in Kernville, California.

He is survived by his wife Marie who resides in Kernville, son Kenneth, who resides in Santa Monica, California, son William who resides in Simi Valley, California, daughter Joyce Hain who resides in West Hills, California and Kernville.

Anthony had 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. He was in the construction business for over 20 years in Chatsworth, California and moved to Kernville in 1981.

Services were held Feb. 20, 1992 at Oakwood Memorial Park, Chatsworth, California.

Mae E. Edwards

Mae E. Edwards of Kernville passed away Feb. 28 at the Kern Valley Hospital Mt. Mesa.

Mrs. Edwards is preceded in death by her husband Dr. Frank Edwards, DVM and son Dr. Harry Scott Thompson, DVM.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law Virginia and Stewart Robb of Camp Nelson, California.

Mrs. Edwards was a member of the Kern Valley Art Society, the VFW Auxiliary and the Order of the Eastern Star in Bakersfield.

Mae Edwards came to Bakersfield in 1930, then moved to Kernville in 1940 where she has resided ever since.

Born June 15, 1897 in Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, Mamie Esther "Mae" Edwards was 94 years of age.

Interment of cremated remains at the Old Kern River Valley Cemetery. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 11, 1992

OBITUARY

Kenneth E. Thurber

A memorial service was conducted Thursday, March 5 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel Lake Isabella for Kenneth Eugene Thurber of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Rev. John Carpenter, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, Lake Isabella and interim pastor of the United Methodist Church of Weldon.

Mr. Thurber passed away March 1 at home following illness.

He is survived by his daughter Sharon Carver of Lake Isabella, daughter Patty Lage of Bakersfield, and three grandchildren.

Kenneth Thurber was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Army. He served as master sergeant with the Air Corps. He was a member of the Moose, the Eagles and the American Legion.

Kern Thurber had been a long time resident of the Kern River Valley having resided on a ranch along Erskine Creek before WWII.

Born Dec. 6, 1914 in Arizona, Kenneth E. Thurber was 77 years of age.

Military honors rendered by Mr. Fred Dodds representing KRV Post 711 American Legion. Organ and vocal solo by Cheryl Borthick. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 11, 1992

OBITUARY

Mark Dale Mace

Mark Dale Mace of Weldon was found Feb. 27 drowned in the Kern River after he'd been missing since Friday, Feb. 21, 1992.

Born May 29, 1964, he is survived by his wife Lisa Lane Mace of Weldon; his parents Nathan and Pauline Mace of Weldon; his eight-year-old son Mark Dale Mace, Jr. of Ridgecrest; mother-in-law Suzanne Williams of Weldon; three brothers Nathan Mace, Jr., Paul Mace, Andy Mace, all of Weldon; nine sisters Colleen Alvary, Patricia Vigil, Judy Mace and Natalie Bennett, all of Bakersfield; Pauline R. Mace of Onyx; Loretta Mace, Sherry Mace, Lisa R. Mace, all of Weldon; Yvonne Smith of Anchorage, Alaska. Six nieces and six nephews.

Mark was a graduate of Kern Valley High in 1982. He worked for the U.S. Forestry, but was presently employed with Piute Construction of Bakersfield. Mark was a native Piute Indian. He loved the South Fork surrounding mountains where he was born and raised. He was buried at the Indian Cemetery in Onyx.

Wednesday
Mar. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

George L. Rowlett

A memorial service was held Friday, March 13, 1992, at 11:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for George L. Rowlett of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Floyd Castillo of the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church of Lake Isabella, and the officers of the Kern River Valley Moose.

Mr. Rowlett was born Sept. 22, 1907 in DeQueen, Ark. and died March 6, 1992, in Bakersfield, CA. He was 84 years old. Mr. Rowlett was a veteran of WWII and served in the Army in European, African, Middle Eastern theater. George worked for Thompson Dist. Co. of Bakersfield and Mojave for over 30 years and retired as general manager. It is said that George was first to drive a beer truck up the Kern Canyon and deliver beer to the Kern River Valley.

Mr. Rowlett is preceded in death by his wife of 28 years, Frances DeMillo Rowlett. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Diana and Richard R. George of Wofford Heights; son Sheldon Sullivan of Bakersfield, Tony Sullivan and wife Jennifer of Renton, WA; sister Verdie Bell Smith of DeQueen, Ark., and 8 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Mr. Rowlett was a 40 year resident of Kern County.

Interment will be at the U.S. National Cemetery in Riverside, CA. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

Phillip H. Chacon

A funeral service was held March 5, 1992 at Thomas Miller Mortuary of Corona, for Phillip H. Chacon of Nuevo. He passed away on March 1 at Parkview Community Hospital Medical Center of Riverside.

He is survived by his wife Sally of Nuevo, twin daughters Barbara Whittier of Corona and Louise Shrier of Huntington Beach, brothers Peter Chacon of Sacramento and Mark Chacon of Vacaville, sisters Mary and Lupe of San Diego, as well as 7 grandchildren.

Mr. Chacon was a former resident of Onyx, in which he was very active in politics in the Kern River Valley area. He was also the owner/manager of his own linen supply business for 40 years.

Born Dec. 31, 1906 in New Mexico, Phillip H. Chacon was 85 years of age. Cremation arrangements: Thomas Miller Mortuary, Corona, CA.

Victor Roscoe Stonebraker

Memorial services were held Thursday, March 5, at the Eagles Aerie #3156 in Mt. Mesa. Graveside services were held at Greenlawn for Victor Roscoe Stonebraker who passed away March 3, 1992 at his home. Keith Fultz officiated.

Upon the pending birth ot Mr. Stonebraker, his parents traveled to McPherson, KA so he could be born Jan. 5, 1910 on the homestead of his great grandparents, Sellars; which was granted to them and signed by President Lincoln. He was raised in Wiley, CO, moving to California in 1926. He had lived in Kern County for the last 54 years. He worked for the Union Oil Co. for 15 years. In 1945 he opened his own business, "Stony's Trailer Rental" in Oildale. Upon his retirement in 1975 he moved to Lake Isabella. He was active in Eagles Aerie 3156 and was "father" of the area for many years. He was also active in the Western Mining Council for many years.

His greatest joy in life was taking his two grandsons to the mountains, teaching them about the wilderness and gold mining. His greatest hope was to see that all of his great grandchildren would receive a college education.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Ruth Stonebraker, son William J. Stonebraker & wife Fern, daughter Barbara Mae Dean & husband Samuel S. Dean, Jr., all of Bakersfield, one sister, Mary Nelson & husband Lewis of McPherson, KA, six grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and two great, great grandchildren and a friend more like a son to him, Donald Graham of Bakersfield, CA. He will be loved and missed by all who knew him.

Mildred Lampson

A memorial service was conducted at the First Baptist Church in Ridgecrest on Thursday, March 12 for Mildred Blanche Lampson of Ridgecrest. Rev. Mark Roether officiated. A graveside service followed at Desert Memorial Park. She passed away March 9 at Ridgecrest Community Hospital.

Mrs. Lampson is preceded in death by husband Charles Lampson in 1988. She is survived by her son Ronald Lampson of Bakersfield, daughter Sharon Robesky of Ridgecrest, grandchildren Penny Lampson, Leslie Pence, Wendy Beitel, Eric Lampson, Allison Robesky, Deidre Patin, Kenneth Robesky, William Robesky, Sonia Robesky, and two great grandchildren.

Born Sept. 5, 1915 in Gentry County, Missouri, Mrs. Lampson was 76 years of age. She moved to Ridgecrest in 1973 from Lake Isabella where she operated Lampson Mobile Home Park and was Past President of South Fork Women's Club. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Ridgecrest. Before moving to Lake Isabella, Mrs. Lampson taught school in the Los Angeles area.

Arrangements: Holland & Lyons Mortuary of Ridgecrest.

Cecil Walter Smith

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, March 18, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. at the South Shore Full Gospel Church in Mt. Mesa for Cecil Walter Smith of Weldon. Officiating will be Pastor Gary Nichols.

Mr. Smith was born August 10, 1929 in Bakersfield, CA and died at his residence in Weldon, March 9, 1992. He was 62 years old.

He is survived by his mother Rosella P. Smith of Weldon; sons Bryan Smith of Lake Bay, WA; Stephen Smith of College Station, TX; Michael Stafford of California; daughter Lauren McGure of Costa Mesa, CA and 5 grandchildren. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

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Wednesday
Mar. 25, 1992

OBITUARY

Robert L. Greenwood

Mr. Robert Greenwood, 71 of Kernville passed away March 15 at Memorial Hospital in Bakersfield. Mr Greenwood was born in Lelia Lake, Texas April 18, 1920 and had been a resident of Kernville since 1948.

He is survived by his wife Roberta of 45 years of Kernville; brother James Howard Greenwood of Hurley, NM; sister Ola-Mae Lockhart of Memphis, TX; daughter and son-in-law Patty and Jim Thomas of Weldon; daughter and son-in-law Sharon and Duane Lantsberger of Kernville. Grandchildren include: Greg Robert Greenwood and Terri Lynn Swan of Bakersfield, Robert John Greenwood of Rosemond, Kent James Thomas of Bakersfield, Time Robert and Tate William Nagle of Weldon, Wendy Lee and Rusty William Lantsberger of Kernville. Great grandchildren are: Mathew and Jamie Swan, Brittany and Meagan Greenwood and Russell Lee Lantsberger.

Robert was a WWII veteran of the U.S. Navy who served from 1943 to 1946 in the South Pacific as a ships Boatswain. Robert was a lifetime member of the VFW and vested 25 years in the Operating Engineers, after which he began his own construction/excavation business in the Kern River Valley. Cremation arrangements: Valley Mortuary of Lake Isabella.

Wednesday
Mar. 25, 1992

OBITUARY

Fordyce Frank Eastburn

A funeral service was held Saturday, March 21, 1992 at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist of Kernville for Fordyce Frank Eastburn of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Pastor John Revis.

Mr. Eastburn was born Jan. 9, 1920 in New York and died at his residence in Wofford Heights March 19, 1992. He was 72 years old. He was an army veteran of WWII.

He is survived by his wife Bernice of 20 years, sons Leroy Eastburn of Missouri, Lester Eastburn of New York, Kirk Eastburn of New York, daughters Anita Miller of California, Brenda Reyes of Apple Valley, Linda Hunt of Texas, and 12 grand children. Mr. Eastburn was a 12 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Interment will follow his service in the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Mar. 25, 1992

OBITUARY

Edward C. Smith

Edward C. Smith passed away March 10, 1992 at San Joaquin Care Center. He was born on Jan. 1, 1915.

Mr. Smith was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post #7665, Lake Isabella.

He is survived by his wife Agnes and daughter Nancy Frank of Norway, brothers Paul and Donald, and sisters-in-law Theda, Ann, and Margaret.

The VFW officiated at the Kern Valley Cemetery on Monday, March 16.

Wednesday
Apr. 1, 1992

OBITUARY

Wednesday
Apr. 1, 1992

OBITUARY

John William Olsen

A memorial service was held Friday, March 27, 1992 at 3:00 p.m. at the Weldon Baptist church for John William Olsen of Weldon, a brief graveside service followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Officiating was Pastor Robbie Robinson.

Mr. Olsen was born June 30, 1915 in California and died March 25, 1992 in Lancaster, CA. He was 76 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years Leona Olsen of Weldon; sons Steven Olsen of Ridgecrest, Bill Olsen of Downey, CA, Clarence of Houston, TX, Rocky Olsen of Oregon; daughter Wilma Bays of Redding, CA; 14 grand children and 20 great grandchildren. Mr. Olsen was an 18 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Anna G. Merrill

Anna Garrett Merrill was born August 2, 1911 in Pittsburg, PA. She died in Anaheim, CA on March 24, 1992.

Merrill lived in the Kern River Valley with husband Paul from 1961 to 1987.

She is survived by her brother Gorden and sons Gary and Charlie, daughter Susan and 6 grandchildren.

Albert Earl Reeder

A funeral service was held Tuesday, March 24, 1992 at 9 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Kernville, for Albert Earl Reeder of Bakersfield. Officiating was Pastor Alton Thomas.

Mr. Reeder was born September 24, 1922 in Cooperton, Kiowa County, Oklahoma and died March 20, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 69 years old.

Mr. Reeder was a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church of Kernville, and a 15 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Mr. Reeder served his country as a Marine in the Second Marine Division, serving in the South Pacific on Okinawa, Saipan, Tarawa and the occupation of Japan during WWII.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years Jeri Reeder of Bakersfield; sons Gary Reeder of Morrison, CO, Ron Reeder of Whittier, CA; daughter Teri Wampler of Scottsdale, AZ; brothers Bill Reeder of Colorado, Leon Reeder of Santa Ana, CA, Wesley Reeder of Westpoint, CA; sisters Dorothy Stafford of Wofford Heights, Juanita Anthony of Fullerton, CA and 5 grandchildren.

Interment followed his funeral service in Kernville at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Antonina O'Connor

Private service were held for Antonina F. O'Connor of Wofford Heights. Mrs. O'Connor was born April 22, 1910 in Sibera U.S.S.R. and died at her residence in Wofford Heights March 6, 1992. She was 81 years old.

She is survived by her husband Thomas Laurence O'Connor of Wofford Heights, son Raymond Gray of Bishop, CA and 4 grandchildren. Mrs. O'Connor was a 13 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

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OBITUARY

Cecil Walter Smith

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, March 18, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. at the South Shore Full Gospel Church in Mt. Mesa for Cecil Walter Smith of Weldon. Officiating will be Pastor Gary Nichols.

Mr. Smith was born August 10, 1929 in Bakersfield, CA and died at his residence in Weldon, March 9, 1992. He was 63 years old.

He is survived by his mother Rosella P. Smith of Weldon; sister Lola Sabalania of Bakersfield; sons Bryan Smith of Lake Bay, WA; Stephen Smith of College Station, TX; Michael Stafford of California; daughter Lauren McGure of Costa Mesa, CA and 5 grandchildren. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Louis Joy Hale

A funeral service was held Monday, April 6, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Mt. Mesa for Louis Joy Hale of Bodfish. Officiating was Bishop Hartwell.

Mr. Hale was born January 26, 1911 in San Pedro, CA and died April 2, 1992 in Los Angeles, CA. He was 81 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 2-1/2 years Dorothy Hale of Bodfish; sons Richard Hale of Pacific Grove, CA, John Brown of Los Angeles, Jim Brown of Dallas, TX; daughters Shelly Dali of Bodfish, Faith Olsen of La Crescenta, CA; brothers Bill Hale of San Pedro, CA, Hudson Hale of Long Beach, Ca; sister Mildred Call of San Pedro, CA; 15 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Mr. Hale was a 16 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Interment followed his service at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 8, 1992

OBITUARY

Calvin A. Purdy

A memorial service was held Thursday, April 2, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the Eagles Aerie #3156 in Mt. Mesa for Calvin A. Purdy of Lake Isabella. Officiating were the officers of the Eagles.

Mr. Purdy was born June 21, 1920 in Hot Springs, Arkansas and died March 29, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 71 years old. Mr. Purdy was a veteran of the European Theatre in World War II. He entered the H-Battery 206 CAAA, Arkansas in January 1941. He was also a member of the Eagles Lodge #3156, Masons #827, Moose #1297 and VFW #7665.

He is survived by his wife of 2 years Margaret Purdy of Lake Isabella; sons Patrick Purdy of Bellflower, CA and Mike Purdy of Virginia Beach, VA; daughters Sharon Aldrich of La Mirada, CA and Kathy Basher of Bothel, WA; brothers Clyde Purdy of Downey, CA and Ray O'Kennemer of Lakewood, CA; 11 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Mr. Purdy was a 17 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Gerald F. Matice

Gerald F. Matice of Lake Isabella passed away Tuesday, March 10, 1992 in a Bakersfield Hospital.

He is survived by his wife Jean; his children Thomas and wife Carol of Wyoming, MI; Susan Alexander, John, Dennis of Bakersfield; and Michael and wife Kelly of Lamont; 7 grandchildren; 1 great granddaughter; sisters Katherine and husband Max Conover of Wyoming, MI, and Gertrude and husband Jack Hekker of Grand Rapids, MI.

Funeral services and interment were held in Bakersfield.

Wednesday
Apr. 8, 1992

OBITUARY

Floyd E. Rhodes

Private cremation services were held for Floyd E. Rhodes of Lake Isabella. Mr. Rhodes was born February 3, 1915 in Centralia, WA and died March 29, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 77 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 28 years Jean Rhodes of Lake Isabella; sons Iain Barclay and Alex Barclay, both of California; daughters Barbara Jones of California, Donna Backman of Washington, Mary Olsen of Nevada, Gean Tackett of California; sister Clara Faye Lester of Kansas; 20 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren; brother Bill Rhodes; sisters Maxine Bishop and Ruth Campbell, both of Kansas.

Mr. Rhodes was a 7 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Doris Jean Riley

A Mass for Christian Burial was held Wednesday, April 1, 1992 at 10 a.m. at St. Jude's Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Doris Jean Riley of Weldon. Officiating was Monsignor A.G. Herdegen.

Mrs. Riley was born January 14, 1927 in Los Angeles, CA and died March 30, 1992 in Bakersfield. She was 65 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 32 years Conrad Riley of Weldon; son David Ciminski of Indiana; mother Estelle Tamburine of Claremont, CA and 7 grandchildren. Mrs. Riley was a 3 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

August D. Welsch

August (Gus) D. Welsch, 82, of Wofford Heights, CA, died March 27, 1992, following a lingering illness at Golden State Manor in Bakersfield, CA. He was born December 30, 1909 in Quincey, WA, to Herbert J. and Teresa Kruder Welsch. He married Mabel Sauer on August 31, 1955 in Los Angeles, CA. She died December 26, 1991.

He received his education in Washington state. He moved to California as a young man. While living in California, he worked as a machinist for over 50 years.

Mr. Welsch was a member of St. Jude Catholic Church of Wofford Heights, CA, as well as an active member of the St. Vincent de Paul Organization.

Following his marriage, he and Mabel made their home in California, first living in Baldwin Park, then they moved to Redding. In 1975, they moved to Wofford Heights.

He is survived by 2 nieces, Fanet Welsch and Duane Jones, both of Ellensburg, WA; sister and brother-in-law: Glen LaVar and Gertrude Humphries of Murray, UT.

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, April 1, 1992 at 11 a.m. at Provo City Cemetery, 610 South State, Provo, UT.

Wednesday
Apr. 15, 1992

OBITUARY

Marie Lena Gordon

A graveside service was held Monday, April 13, 1992 for Marie Lena Gordon of Kernville. Officiating was Pastor Fred Baker of the Kernville United Methodist Church of Kernville.

Mrs. Gordon was born December 12, 1895 in Harvard, Nebraska and died at her residence in Kernville April 8, 1992. She was 96 years old.

She is survived by a niece and her many friends in Kernville and her caring friends, the Hyltons. Marie was a 50 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Mary Elizabeth Irby

A graveside service was held Friday, April 10, 1992 at 1 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Mary Elizabeth Irby of Bodfish. Officiating was Mel Hetrick.

Mrs. Irby was born August 31, 1908 in Texas and died April 18, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. She was 83 years old.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jess Irby in 1990.

She is survived by sons Carl Irby of Lake Isabella and Donald Irby of Newport, OR; daughter Belle Layhon of South Lake; 4 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren and 9 great, great grandchildren. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 15, 1992

OBITUARY

Robert Nelson Larmore, Jr.

A funeral service was held Thursday, April 9, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Robert Nelson Larmore Jr. of Bodfish. Officiating were the officers of the Moose Lodge #498 and Pastor James Lee of Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Larmore was born February 28, 1927 in Los Angeles, CA and died April 6, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 65 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years Dora J. Larmore of Bodfish; sons James N. Larmore of South Lake Tahoe, CA, and Gary Larmore of Home Bush, Australia; daughters Kay L. David of Las Vegas, NV, Lee Ann Lohran of Montebello, CA, Marsha Joe Duran of Whittier, CA; brother Donald Larmore of Utah, Ronald Larmore of LaHabra, CA; 16 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren.

Mr. Larmore was a member of the Moose Lodge #498 Kern River Valley and an 11 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to your favorite charity. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Apr. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Clifton E. Freeman

Private cremation services were held for Clifton Eugene Freeman of Lake Isabella. Mr. Freeman was born October 11, 1918 in Burbank, CA and died April 6, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Freeman was a member of both the Elks and the Moose. He retired from the Inglewood Fire Department as Captain and was a 17 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years Betty of Lake Isabella; son Clifton Earle Freeman of Lawndale, CA; daughter Cheryl Bowers of Lake Isabella; brother Lionel Freeman of Lone Pine, CA; sister Vivian Keiser of Boulder City, NV and 1 grandson. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Eugene Renfroe

Eugene Renfroe died Tuesday, April 7, 1992 at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield. He was 68.

Born March 1, 1924 in Dover, Arkansas, he lived in the Indian Wells Valley from 1943 until 1976 when he retired and moved to Onyx. He was stationed at China Lake during World War II until 1946. He then worked in Ridgecrest as a truck driver and business owner.

Mr. Renfroe is survived by his wife of 47 years, Vera; two sons, Bill and Robert of Ridgecrest; three sisters Willie of Onyx, Jessie of Redbluff and Rose of Russelville, Arkansas; three brothers J.C. of Alaska, Clerence of Fontana and Charles of Buena Park; two granddaughters Samantha and Jennifer of Ridgecrest and one great-granddaughter Cassandra.

Wednesday
Apr. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

George Louis Kirk

A funeral service was held Thursday, April 16, 1992 at 10 a.m. at Holland & Lyons Chapel in Ridgecrest for George Louis Kirk. Officiating was Rev. Monsignor Kevin Cleary of St. Ann's Catholic Church. He was buried at the Kern Valley Cemetery District in Wofford Heights later that same day.

Mr. Kirk was born June 15, 1920 in Delano, CA and died April 13, 1992 at Beverly Manor Convalescent Hospital in Ridgecrest. He was 71 years old.

He is survived by sons Thomas Kirk of Inyokern, CA and Steven Kirk of Indianapolis, IN; daughter Cynthia A. Rasmussen of Inyokern; step-daughters Sharon Brazil of Palmdale, CA and Karen Laursor of Weldon; sisters Jeannie and Mary Freeman, both of Richmond CA, Margorie Tunckness of Washington, Alpha Miller and Lilly Weisner, both of Forest Hills, CA, Reona Valentine of Pinole, CA and Bernice Castro of El Sobrante, CA; 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Mr. Kirk had lived in Weldon for 20 years after having served in the U.S. Army and retiring from Kerr-McGee. Arrangements by Holland & Lyons Mortuary of Ridgecrest, CA.

Wednesday
Apr. 22, 1992

OBITUARY

AnnaMarie Eckroth

A funeral service was held Wednesday, April 15, 1992 at 2 p.m. at the Chapel of Oaks at Eternal Valley Cemetery in Newhall for AnnaMarie Eckroth. Officiating was Deacon Dick Acquaviva of St. Clare Catholic Church in Canyon Country, CA.

Mrs. Eckroth was born December 28, 1930 in Washington, Iowa and died April 10, 1992 at her residence in Wofford Heights. She was 61 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years R. Conrad of Wofford Heights; sons Conrad R. Eckroth of Kansas, Terrance Eckroth of Palmdale, CA; daughters Tanya Ann Mortenson of Washington, Lorna Lynne Rust of Palmdale, Jennifer Jeanne Astone of Palmdale, AnnaMarie II Little of Los Angeles; 14 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

AnnaMarie was a member of the Ladies of the Elks, and a 7 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Earle L. Cleveland

A memorial service was held Friday, April 24, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Assembly of God Church for Earle Lloyd Cleveland of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Reverend Doctor Lester Cleveland.

Mr. Cleveland was born March 30, 1908 in Spokane, Washington and died April 13, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 84 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Wilhelmina Cleveland of Lake Isabella; sons Lester Cleveland of Indio, Douglas Cleveland of Napa, Larry Wise of North Dakota; daughters Schryl Brow of Rancho Cordova, Judy Shilts of San Diego, Lois Wotila of San Diego; sister Harriet Headstrum of Washington, 19 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Interment will be at Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Letha Juanita Cates

Private cremation services were held for Letha Juanita Cates of Weldon. Mrs. Cates was born July 2, 1925 in Wichita Falls, Texas, and died at her residence in Weldon April 20, 1992. She was 66 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Henry Cates of Weldon, sons Robert Leon Cates of Hawaii and Henry Leroy Cates of Weldon, mother Annie Mae Myles of Weldon, brother Donald Wiseman of Weldon, and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Cates was a six-year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Inez J. Moreno

A funeral service was held Wednesday, April 22, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Lake Isabella for Inez Josephine Moreno of Weldon. Officiating was Ron Pavey. Interment followed Saturday, April 25 at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Bakersfield. Officiating at graveside was Tom Watrous.

Mrs. Moreno was born April 18, 1921 in Taft, and died April 17, 1992 in Bakersfield. She was 70 years old. She is survived by her husband of ten years, Frank Moreno of Weldon, son Mark Garcia of Bakersfield, brother Mike Porcho of Bakersfield, sister Lucille Verrell of Missouri, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Inez was a seven-year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 6, 1992

OBITUARY

Kenneth S. Denson

Private cremation services were held for Kenneth Stuart Denson of Lake Isabella. Mr. Denson was born June 4, 1913 in Genou, Montana and died at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield, April 24, 1992. He was 78 years old.

Mr. Denson was a railroad engineer for the Southern Pacific Railroad and retired after 33 years of service.

He is survived by his wife Hazel Denson of Lake Isabella; sons Kenneth Jr., and Harold Denson of Oregon; 3 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, and 1 great, great grandchild.

Mr. Denson was also a member of the Moose and Eagles.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Hilda Mae Rayfield

A graveside service will be held Wednesday, May 6, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at Forestlawn Cemetery in Glendale, CA for Hilda Mae Rayfield of Bodfish. Mel Hetrick will be officiating.

Hilda was born August 14, 1913 in Kokomo, Indiana and died in Mt. Mesa, April 28, 1992. She was 78 years old.

She is survived by a niece Carolyn Shanks of Los Angeles, and her very dear friends Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bonner.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 6, 1992

OBITUARY

Orval S. Kittila

Funeral services were held for Orval S. Kittila on Tuesday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. at the Allen-Salas Funeral Chapel in Bell Gardens, CA. Burial will be at Park Lawn Memorial Park, Commerce, CA following the services.

Mr. Kittila was born September 14, 1906 in Illinois and died April 25, 1992 in La Mirada, CA at the age of 85.

Orval was a residence of Lake Isabella for the last 21 years. He was a maintenance mechanic for Southwest Steel for 28 years.

He is preceded in death by his wife Rader Marie Kittila in November 1990. He is survived by his daughter Mary Sue Ward of La Mirada; sons Irvin Lindsey of Jackson, Tennessee and Leon Lindsay of Buena Park; 6 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Arrangements by Allen-Salas Funeral Service of Bell Gardens, California.

Wednesday
May 6, 1992

OBITUARY

Dennis R. Chumley

A funeral, service was held Monday, May 4, 1992 at 12:00 at the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Dennis Roger Chumley of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor David Snow. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Dennis was born January 29, 1972 in Bakersfield, CA and died April 30, 1992 in Bakersfield as a result of a traffic accident. He was 20 years old.

He is survived by his mother Hedy Elston of South Lake Tahoe, father Donald Chumley of Lake Isabella, brother Derec Chumley, on duty in the U.S. Navy, sister Rhonda Elston of Bakersfield, sister Tina Elston of Barstow, paternal grandmother Evelyn Chumley of Lake Isabella, maternal grandmother Paula Kruyt of Fresno.

Dennis was a graduate of Kern Valley High School, and last employed at Sizzler in Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

KERN VALLEY SUN

Wednesday
May 13, 1992

OBITUARY

Services held for longtime resident Barbara Albin

By CHRISTINE KOHN
Kern Valley Sun

A memorial service was held on Tuesday for longtime Kern River Valley businesswoman Barbara J. Albin, 67, who died last week.

Albin, the broker-owner of Wofford Heights Realty in Wofford Heights, died Friday at Kern Valley Hospital after a lengthy illness. During her 25 years in the Valley, Albin was twice president of the Visitor's Council, president of the Wofford Heights Improvement Group and organizer and president of the Valley's Board of Realtors.

But co-workers and family members say Albin will be remembered most for her sharp business mind and sense of humor.

Albin could remember intricate details of real estate sales that took place a decade earlier, said Judy Glenn, a real estate agent at Wofford Heights Realty.

And Goldie Tatum, a broker associate at Wofford Heights Realty, said Albin "could be a lot of fun, yet she was a businesswoman, and she looked out for her clients."

Tatum noted that Albin also would take care of her employees through special little gifts like personalized note pads and holiday parties.

"Quite often, she would call down (to the office) when she knew we were real busy," Tatum said. "She'd call down, and she'd say, 'I know you girls worked hard today, so on your way home, stop by (my house.) ' " Tatum said Albin would have dinner or a treat ready for them.

Her husband of 26 years, George, remembered Albin's favorite song, "Bill Bailey."

"They used to call her the poor man's Sophie Tucker, because she would get up when we went to the bars, and Barbara could sing, and she could knock 'em dead without fail with Bill Bailey," George Albin said.

He also recalled Albin's love for fishing.

"Barbara loved to fish, too." They would go deep-sea fishing, "and she'd catch fish when nobody else would. And if they weren't biting, she'd say, 'I know how to start 'em. I'll just light up a cigarette.' " She would and the fish would start to bite, George Albin said.

Because Wofford Heights Realty was Albin's "love and she would always want it to continue to be open for business," Glenn said, Tatum will continue to operate the business.

Albin is survived by her husband, George, sons Keith W. De Laney of Long Beach and George Albin Jr. and daughter-in-law Alta of Downey, her mother, Josephine Faust of Hemet, granddaughter Kelly Ann (De Laney) Smith and niece and nephew Sharon and Daniel Boone of Sunland.

She was preceded in death by son, Craig.

Wednesday
May 13, 1992

OBITUARY -

Gertrude Darrough

A funeral service was held Monday, May 11, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Gertrude Helen Darrough of Weldon. Officiating were the ladies of the order of the Eastern Star, and pastor Floyd Castillo of the United Methodist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Darrough was born August 5, 1906 in St. Louis, MO and died May 7, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA. She was 85 years old. Mrs. Darrough was a 22 year resident of the Kern River Valley. She was a member of the Eastern Star since 1955.

She is survived by her husband of 66 years Elmer Darrough of Weldon; sons Kenneth Darrough of Kansas and Norris Darrough of Bakersfield; seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Phyllis J. Boland

Private cremation services were held for Phyllis Julia Boland of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Boland was born April 21, 1918 in Massachusetts and died May 1, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. She was 74 years old.

She is survived by her son Richard Prosser of Alabama; daughter Carol Ely of Wofford Heights; brothers Richard Sample of Massachusetts, Donald Sample of Florida, Herbie Sample of Massachusetts and Charles Sample of Massachusetts; sisters Betty Miskell of Massachusetts and Barbara McVey of Massachusetts and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Boland was a 12 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 13, 1992

OBITUARY

Gene L. Harter, Sr.

A memorial was held Saturday, May 9, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the V.F.W. Hall in Lake Isabella for Gene Lewis Harter, Sr. of Wofford Heights. Officiating were the officers of the V.F.W.

Mr. Harter was born August 16, 1927 in York, Nebraska and died May 4, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 64 years old. Mr. Harter retired after 44 years of Civil Service at Point Magu Naval base as superintendent of Public Works. Mr. Harter served in the U.S. Navy during WWII, and was a member of V.F.W. Post 7665, Lake Isabella.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years Dolorous "De" Harter of Wofford Heights; son Gene Harter, Jr. and his wife Lynda of Placerville, CA; daughter Sharron Pillard and her husband Barry of Filmore, CA; daughter Jan Huling and her husband John of Ventura, CA; brother Gordon Harter of Missouri; sister Berdene Gallagher of Santa Maria, CA; and six grandchildren.

Mr. Harter was a 14 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 13, 1992

OBITUARY

Georgia Mae Bown

Private cremation services will be held for Georgia Mae "Murdoch" Bown of Bodfish. Mrs. Bown was born in Ingalls, Indiana October 3, 1909 and died May 2, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA. She was 82 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 32 years Will Bown of Bodfish; sons Charles Murdoch of LaCrescenta, CA and Pete Murdoch of Lake Isabella; brothers Jack Brunner, Jim Brunner and John Brunner, all of Indiana; sister Jannie Ferrel, also of Indiana; 7 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Bown was a 20 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Marjorie R. Culley

Marjorie R. Culley, formerly of Kernville, passed away Friday, May 8 in Tualatin, Oregon.

She resided in Kernville since 1964 where she and her husband Dr. Robert Culley owned and operated the Kern Lodge Motel for many years.

"Marge" was a member of the Board of Realtors. She was a member of the Kernville United Methodist Church where she played the organ and sang in the choir. She was a very active member in the Kernville Chamber of Commerce and a charter member of the local Order of the Eastern Star and other organizations.

She is preceded in death by her husband and is survived by her daughter Sharon and son-in-law John and their two children Sara and Jacob of Oregon, son Robert of Bakersfield and sister Nadeen of Virginia.

Wilma Ankerbrand

A memorial service will be held May 24, 1992 at the Eagles Aerie in Santa Maria, CA for Wilma Juanita Ankerbrand of Onyx. Officiating will be the officers of the Eagles Aux. #1745.

Mrs. Ankerbrand was born March 3, 1929 in Rogers, Arkansas and died May 10, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. She was 63 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 5 years George Ankerbrand of Onyx; sons Tom Turvey of Florida, Mike Smith of California; daughter Dianna Lundgren of California; brothers Cecial Jones and Paul Jones both of California, and Harold Jones of Minnesota; sisters Frances Johnson of California, Louise Jones of Arkansas and Rusty Meghee of California; 8 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Evelyn Louise Parks

Born in Bluefield, West Virginia on Oct. 27, 1912 and died on May 9, 1992 in Bakersfield, California. She is preceded in death by her husbands, William H. Wygal in 1969 and William F. Parks in 1981, and her only child, Mrs. Marilyn Wygal Voto in 1974.

Mrs. Parks is survived by her brother and sister-in-law Robert E. and Virginia Whitehead of Vinton, Virginia and sister and brother-in-law Virginia and Pence Nininger of Camden, South Carolina.

She was a government civil service employee in communications and supply departments on various military bases for 24 years, from NOTS, China Lake, California to Elemendorf AFB, Anchorage, Alaska. In June 1970 after marriage to Mr. Parks, they resided at China Lake until his retirement in June 1974 when they moved to Onyx.

Mrs. Parks was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Desert Holly Chapter #558 in Ridgecrest, California since June 1947 and the Weldon United Methodist Church.

Internment with Eastern Star Services will be May 29 at Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens, Roanoke, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children or Weldon United Methodist Church Building Fund.

Robert M. Lowe

Private cremation services were held for Robert Melvin Lowe of Lake Isabella. Mr. Lowe was born June 9, 1918 in Powattan, Kansas and died May 2, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Lowe served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and retired from the motion picture industry as prop maker with Desilu Productions.

He is survived by his wife Elsie of Lake Isabella; son and daughter-in-law Robert and Beverly Lowe of St. Joseph, Missouri; son and daughter-in-law Roger and Linda Lowe of Goleta, CA; brother Leonard Lowe of Florida; sisters Violet Musick of Kansas and Mary Hansen of Iowa; six grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Mr. Lowe was a 21 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 20, 1992

OBITUARY -

Terry Helen Beach

A memorial service for Terry Helen Beach of Bodfish was held Thursday, May 7, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel. Officiating was pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church, Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Beach was born August 17, 1924 in New York City, New York, and died May 4, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. She was 67 years old.

Mrs. Beach was preceded in death by her husband Donald Beach in August of 1991. She is survived by her son Bill Bart of Oregon; brothers Harry Giorretto and Robert Giorretto of Oakland, CA; sisters Clair Marrante of Las Vegas, Mary Paris of Washington, Marge Montalto of Sepulveda, CA; two grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

She was a 10 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
May 20, 1992

OBITUARY

Viola Sullivan

Viola Linck Sullivan was born October 18, 1903 in Baltimore, Maryland and passed away April 27, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA.

Viola and her husband Jack moved into the Kern River Valley in 1945. They prospected and did anything else they could to support themselves. They worked with or for many of the older families such as the Suhre's, Powers', Robinson's, Rhoad's, and so forth, until 1967 when Jack took sick and they settle on Sage Lane in the Weldon Ranches.

Her husband died in 1977 at which time she moved to Mt. Mesa.

Viola is survived by her brother and sister-in-law Burton and Billie Linck and various nieces and nephews in Maryland and other eastern states.

She is missed! Thanks to all for the love they showed during this difficult time.

Wednesday
May 20, 1992

OBITUARY

Pauline Faye Traver

Private cremation services were held for Pauline Faye Traver of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Traver was born Feb. 11, 1916 in Missouri and died at her residence in Wofford Heights May 11, 1992. She was 76 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 4 years Paul Traver of Wofford Heights, son Frank Lilikes of Arizona, daughter Norma Gene of Illinois and 5 grandchildren. Mrs. Traver was a 6 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Dennis Chumley, 20
Chumley suffered major injuries in a motorcycle accident

The family of Dennis R. Chumley would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have shown their love and consideration to us in so many ways. Your concern, prayers and gifts of love have been extremely meaningful to us and have helped us through a difficult time and tremendous loss. A heartfelt special thanks is extended to David Derr and Brad Armstrong for their help. Dennis is deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

Donald Chumley
Derec, Stephanie & Derec Chumley, Jr.
Evelyn Chumley
David, Rhonda Chumley & Family
Eugene, Sharon Eoff & Family

Wednesday
May 27, 1992

OBITUARY -

Casey Neil Hanning

Casey Neil Hanning was born March 18, 1960 in Bakersfield and died May 15, 1992 at Kern Valley Hospital.

He is survived by son Ryan Paul Hanning of Los Angeles; parents, Leonard and Marie Hanning of Weldon; brothers, Carson Hanning and his wife Tammy of Onyx and Patrick Hanning of Bakersfield; sisters, Christi Rivers of Creston, CA, Shannon Owens and her husband Marty of Spotsylvania, VA, Rebecca Graham and her husband Rob of Ennis, MT, Kelly Hanning of Bakersfield, CA; nephews, Nick and Andy Hanning, Lane and Logan Graham, Carson and Jimmie Owens, Branden and James Rivers, Cody and Neal Preston; nieces, Rusty Shanniel Hanning and Vanessa Rivers.

Casey graduated from Kern Valley High School in 1978. He resided at White Blanket Reservation. Living on the river, being in the great outdoors and being free were the things he loved most in life.

Funeral services were held at Kern Valley Mortuary in Lake Isabella on Thursday, May 21. After services food was served at the Kern Valley Moose Lodge.

Wednesday
June 3, 1992

OBITUARY

Whylte Ilone Miller

Private cremation services will be held for Whylte Ilone Miller of Wofford Heights. Mrs. Miller was born December 1, 1910 in California and died May 25, 1992 at her residence in Wofford Heights. She was 81 years old.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years Bill Miller of Wofford Heights; daughter Gearldean Carlson of Eureka, CA; son Harold Miller of Wofford Heights; brother Walley Nickels of Redway, CA; five grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Mrs. Miller was 24 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 3, 1992

OBITUARY

Melvin Eric Mattox

Memorial services are pending for Melvin Eric Mattox of Bodfish. Mr. Mattox was born July 9, 1905 in Marion, Ohio and died May 24, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 86 years old.

He was preceded in death by his wife Loretta Marguerite Mattox by 8 days. He is survived by his daughter Diane Gurzi of Sun City, CA; 4 grandsons and 4 great grandsons.

Mr. Mattox was a 21 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 3, 1992

OBITUARY

Ruth Ruozi

Graveside services will be held at Hillcrest Cemetery on May 28, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. for Ruth Ruozi of Lake Isabella, who passed away on May 23 in Bakersfield. Reverend Gradie Powell will officiate.

Mrs. Ruozi was born in Oklahoma on April 18, 1925, and had lived in California since 1946.

She is survived by her husband Armand R. Ruozi of Lake Isabella; sons Fred Teutsch, David Ruozi and Mark Ruozi, all of Bakersfield, Don Teutsch of Point Arena and Jim Teutsch of San Diego.

Ruth was a wonderful wife and mother. She was dearly loved and will be missed by family and friends.

Jim "Montana" Silcott

Jim "Montana" Silcott was born May 21, 1950 and died May 22, 1992. He was 42 years old.

He is survived by his wife Janice; children Scott, Carisa, Rick and Cynthia; father Richard Silcott of Des Moines, IA; brothers Richard and Robert of San Diego area, Donald of Brea, CA; sisters Rebecca Bromback of San Diego area, Sandra Rieffer of Reno, NV, Linda Bell of Stockton, CA and Joyce Terry of Columbia, MO.

He was a musician, songwriter and truck driver.

Wednesday
June 3, 1992

OBITUARY

Carl Edwin Hays

Graveside services were held at Greenlawn Memorial Park, 3700 River Blvd., Friday, May 29, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. for Carl Edwin Hays, 70, who passed away May 25, 1992 in Lake Isabella. Pastor Lavern Twist will officiate. Mr. Hays was born August 27, 1921 in Benton, IL and had resided in Kern County for over 47 years.

He was a pipefitter in the petroleum industry and was last employed by Local Union #460. He was a member of the Steam Fitter's Local Union #460 and VFW Post 7665 and was a former member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

He was preceded in death by his wives, Eileen "Bab" in 1973 and Thelma in 1983; son Carl, Jr., in 1949, and three brothers, Hosmer, Curtis and William. He is survived by his wife Claire Hays of Lake Isabella; son and daughter-in-law James and Glenda Hays of Washington; daughters Florence and husband Walter Benford of Florida, Carolyn and husband Leonard Soliz of California, Vickie and husband Ray Obermeyer of California and Clarissa Hays of Oregon; 27 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, 4 brothers and 3 sisters.

Greenlawn Mortuary Funeral Directors.

Wednesday
June 3, 1992

OBITUARY

Myrna M. Richards

Private cremation services were held for Myrna Martina Richards of South Lake. Mrs. Richards was born May 1944 in Wisconsin and died at her residence in South Lake May 23, 1992. She was 48 years old.

She is survived by her children and her husband John Richards of South Lake. Mrs. Richards was a 14 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Randy G. Sweaney

Born in Taft, CA on Nov. 6, 1941 and died June 5, 1992 in Taft. Randy was a resident of Kern Country most of his life and resided in Wofford Heights for the past 10 years.

He is survived by his loving wife, Carol, partners for almost 30 years; mother, Kathleen Sweaney of Taft; son, Roger Sweaney of Bakersfield; daughter Kiah Pues of Lake Isabella; grandsons Brennon Cheyne Pues and Dylan Thomas Pues; brothers Gary, Greg, Stan and Scott Sweaney of Bakersfield, Jeff Sweaney of Taft, Tim Sweaney of Pismo; and sister Judy Hall of Modesto. Randy was also a foster father of many including Dan, Ron, Tim, Josh and Summer.

He was an avid outdoorsman and loved to fish and hunt with his buddies. He was a life long lover of nature and loved to sit and chat. He was known as a master of tales and everyone who knew him will miss him.

Mr. Sweaney was a Highway Patrolman from 1967 to 1978 in the Bakersfield, Porterville area. He worked in Alaska as a tool operator for several years. He had worked in Taft in the Elk Hills oil fields since 1987 until his death.

Randy loved to be with his family and was a loyal, loving husband, father and friend.

Mr. Sweaney belonged to the Taft Sportsman Club and Ducks Unlimited.

There will be a gathering of family and friends on Saturday, June 13, at 10:00 a.m. at the Hill of the Three Crosses in Wofford Heights.

Ermal B. Loomis

Ermal B. Loomis, 70, Ontario, a retired bookkeeper, died May 19, 1992, as the result of an automobile accident near Glenns Ferry. Services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Ontario, with Rev. Patrick Bell officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery, Payette, under the direction of Ontario's Lienkaemper Chapel.

She was born Jan. 6, 1922, at Fruitland, a daughter of W.A. and E . M. VanEtten Gorham. She was a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. She was active in the Vestry Alter Guild of the Seven River Cluster of the Episcopal Church.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Gayle Watson; her father, W.A. Gorham of Ontario; two sisters, Melba M. Smit of Ontario, and LaDona Lee of Beaverton; a grandson and his wife, Jay and Anna Watson of Lake Isabella, California; a granddaughter, Stephanie Watson; a niece and three nephews.

Memorials may be made to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church or the Presbyterian Community Care Center.

Gerald E. Batty

Born Feb. 24, 1911 in Monroe City, Missouri and died May 18, 1992 at Wadsworth VA Hospital. Services were held May 27, at VFW Hall by officers of VFW Post 7665. He was a charter member.

Mr. Batty is survived by his wife of 51 years, Phyllis of Lake Isabella; son, Gerald Jr. of Lake Isabella; daughter Joan Ray of Washington state; four grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Wednesday
June 10, 1992

OBITUARY -

Guy E. Morton

A funeral service was held Friday, June 5, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Guy Edward Morton of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor David Snow. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Mr. Morton was born December 23, 1909 in Mississippi and died June 2, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 82 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years Edna of Lake Isabella; son Cecil Morton of South Gate, CA; brother Walter Morton of Lake Isabella; sister Edith Adams of Oregon.

Mr. Morton was a 20 year member of First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella and a 20 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Rodney Farley, Sr.

A memorial service was held Monday, June 8, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Rodney Wilburn Farley, Sr. of Bodfish. Officiating were the officers of the VFW Post 7665 in the Kern River Valley.

Mr. Farley was born December 2, 1916 in Charleston, Mississippi and died at his residence in Bodfish June 3, 1992. He was 75 years old.

He is survived by his son Rodney Farley, Jr. of Hollywood, CA; brothers Windel, Ruphert and Paul Farley all of Missouri; sisters Irene and June House of Missouri; 8 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 1 great, great grandchildren.

Mr. Farley was a member of the VFW, American Legion, Moose and Eagles. He was a four year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 10, 1992

OBITUARY

Vincent L. Groters

A memorial service was held Saturday, June 6, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Elks Lodge #2358 in Wofford Heights for Vincent LaVerne Groters of Wofford Heights. Officiating were the officers of the Elks.

Mr. Groters was born September 1, 1932 in Michigan and died in Mt. Mesa June 2, 1992. He was 59 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 12 years Dena of Wofford Heights; son Gary Groters of Bakersfield; daughters Donna, Gail, Joann; step daughters Jan, Jill, Donette; adopted daughters Jill, Karla, Krista; and sister Sue Gresham of Bakersfield.

Mr. Groters was an Elk and Vice President of the Men's Club and an avid golfer.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 10, 1992

OBITUARY

Ralph L. Nielsen

A memorial service was held Saturday, June 6, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the Eagles Aerie 3156 in Mt. Mesa for Ralph LaVor Nielsen of Weldon. Officiating were the officers of the Eagles.

Mr. Nielsen was born February 26, 1926 in Idaho and died June 2, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 66 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years Donna of Weldon; sons Ralph Arthur Nielsen of Bakersfield, Larry William Nielsen of Onyx, daughter Vicki Watson of Trona; brothers Vandel Nielsen of Utah, Lenice Nielsen of Utah; sisters Blanche Wilbur of Washington, Vest Wilker of California; and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Nielsen was a member of the VFW, Moose, Elks and Eagles. Mr. Nielsen was the business manager for the Trona School District and a 30 year resident of Trona.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
June 17, 1992

OBITUARY -

William Cowan

Funeral services were held Monday, June 15, 1992, for William Cowan, 75, of Lake Isabella, at Holland & Lyons Chapel in Ridgecrest, CA. Officiating was Jon Rowe of the Church of Christ in Mt. Mesa. He was buried at Desert Memorial Park. Mr. Cowan was born June 19, 1916 in Spiro, OK and died June 10, 1992, at the home of his son in Ridgecrest as the result of natural causes.

He lived in Lake Isabella for 16-1/2 years after moving from Ridgecrest where he lived for 12 years. At the time of his death, he was on extended leave from the Naval Weapons Center where he was employed since 1946 as a machinist.

Mr. Cowan is survived by his wife, Nancy Louise Cowan of Lake Isabella; son, Douglas W. Cowan of Ridgecrest, CA; daughters Tena Kay Miller of San Marcos, CA, Marjo Miles Kvammen of Ridgecrest, CA, Linda Lou Winen of Huntsville, AL, and Betty Evone Raffel of Ridgecrest, CA; brothers Clarence Cowan of Arkansas, Ernest Cowan of West Plains, MO, and Walter Cowan of Sallisaw, OK; sisters Uella Brown of Tulsa, OK and Inez Hunt of Sand Springs, OK; 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to Cancer Research, Loma Linda Medical Center, P.O. Box 2000, Loma Linda, CA 92354.

Arrangements by Holland & Lyons Mortuary of Ridgecrest, CA.

Wednesday
June 17, 1992

MEMORIAL

In Memoriam

Rev. Oliver Brian Endicott, former Vicar of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Kernville.

May 15 was a sad day for the family, congregation and friends of Fr. Brian. He died of injuries received when a vehicle crossed over the center lines and crashed head on while he was on his way from Bakersfield to his church in Kernville.

Fr. Brian was not only our priest, but a good friend and teacher and he brought much love, caring and compassion to all who knew him.

The memorial service was held on May 19 at St. Paul's Church in Bakersfield with the Rt. Rev. John David Schofield, Bishop of San Joaquin Diocese, as the celebrant.

Wednesday
June 24, 1992

OBITUARY

Herbert (Pete) Wallace Hanson

Funeral services were held Monday, June 22, 1992, for Herbert (Pete) Hanson at Highland Chapel United Methodist Church in Lake Isabella. Officiating at the service was Pastor Floyd R. Castillo.

Pete Hanson was born on Sept. 15, 1910 in the Territory of New Mexico to John and Bertha Hanson who had come to this country from Sweden.

He spent most of his life involved in the aviation industry where he worked as a flight engineer for various airlines. During World War II, Pete flew with the Army Transport Command.

Pete and his wife, Hazel, bought their first home in the Kern Valley in 1970, but didn't move up here permanently until their retirement in 1987. He was recently hospitalized for knee surgery and died peacefully of other complications on Thursday, June 18, 1992, in Bakersfield, CA. Pete will be cremated and his ashes placed in a niche in Kern Valley Cemetery.

He is survived by Hazel, his wife of more than 46 years, of Lake Isabella; his daughter Georgia Kohler of Santa Cruz, CA; Hazel's daughter Sylvia Wheeler, to whom he was a real father, of La Paz, Mexico; granddaughters Kathy in New Zealand, and Agnes Freeburn of Tucson, AZ; and grandsons Kyle Kohler of Santa Cruz and Ken Kohler of San Jose. There are four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
June 24, 1992

OBITUARY

Edith Horney

Edith Horney, 90, of Lake Isabella died June 7 at Kern Valley Hospital. She was born May 24, 1902 in Texas and had lived in Wofford Heights and Lake Isabella for the past 23 years.

She attended Highland Chapel Church and was a member at the Rebecca Lodge.

Services were held June 12 at Green Hills Mortuary Chapel with the Reverend Kevin Johnson officiating. Interment was at Green Hills Memorial Park, Ranch Palo Verdes, CA.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Calvin, and her son Richard, both in 1986.

She is survived by sons Argie of Oklahoma, Ray of Arizona, Roy of Ontario, and daughter Loretta of Huntington Beach. Also 11 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild.

Edith was a wonderful wife and mother and will be missed deeply by family and friends.

Wednesday
June 24, 1992

OBITUARY

Arnett (Jack) Starcher

Arnett (Jack) Starcher was born Jan. 28, 1931 and died June 6, 1992.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth E. Starcher; son J.J. Starcher and wife Shirley, of Lake Isabella; and son Dennis Starcher and wife Brenda, of Atwood, TN.

Robert W. Larsen

A funeral service was held Thursday, June 25, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. for Robert Wayne Larsen of Weldon. Officiating was Pastor Jim Lee of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella. Pallbearers were John Andrews, Shawn Rhoads, Peter Hearn, Paul Hearn, Chad Reichenbach, Greg Greenwood. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Robert was born December 5, 1969 in Mt. Mesa and died June 21, 1992 in Weldon. He was 22 years old. Robert was a 1988 graduate of Kern Valley High School.

He is survived by his parents Bill and Karen Larsen, brother Will and sister Kathryn of Weldon; grandparents Bill and Joyce Varble, Bob and Connie Fulkman, Robert Arvidson; great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. L. Schuller; uncle Gordon Larsen; aunt Sharon Brazil; and godparents Kenneth and Barbara Allen; cousins Edward Smith, Sandy Smith, David Larsen, Kristi Larsen and Lisa Larsen. Robert Wayne Larsen was a life long resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Thomas C. Short

A funeral service was held Friday, June 26, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Thomas Clarence Short of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Jim Lee of the Valley Community Church of Lake Isabella. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Tom was born October 19, 1916 in Bidwell, Iowa and died June 23, 1992 at his residence in Lake Isabella. He was 75 years old. He retired from Naval Weapons Center at China Lake after 35 years of service.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years Vernice Short of Lake Isabella; son Roger Short of Ridgecrest; daughter Bonnie Zissos of Ridgecrest; brother Lawrence Simenic of Florida; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Tom was a 46 year resident of Kern County and loved to play golf in the Kern River Valley. He will be dearly missed by all.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
July 8, 1992

OBITUARY

George Freundner

Private services were held for George Freundner of Onyx.

George was born January 29, 1921 in West Germany. He died June 29, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 71 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years Rosamarie Freundner of Onyx; sons Dieter Freundner of California City and George H. Freundner of Tustin, CA; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Freundner was a 13 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Loretta M. Mattox

Private services were held for Loretta Marguerite Mattox of Bodfish. Loretta was born July 25, 1902 in Wellsville, Kansas and died at her residence in Bodfish May 16, 1992.

Loretta was survived her husband Melvin Eric Mattox of Bodfish by eight days. Melvin died May 24, 1992 in Bakersfield. She is survived by a brother Roy C. Wasson of Wyoming; sister Lucelle Ley of Lancaster. Mrs. Mattox was a 20 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
July 8, 1992

OBITUARY

David E. Tait

David E. Tait, age 64 of South Haven, Michigan, was born January 30, 1928 in South Haven and died Tuesday, June 30, 1992 at South Haven Community Hospital.

Mr. Tait was a production engineer for Du-Well and a member of the D.A.V. He graduated from South Haven High School. He moved to Kernville in 1971.

Mr. Tait is survived by his mother Zella Frantz of Kalamazoo, Michigan; sons David of San Dimas, California and Douglas of Canoga Park, California; daughter Lissa Lambie of Porterville, California; seven grandchildren; brother Bruce Tait of Eugene, Oregon; and sisters Martha Robinson of Kalamazoo, Michigan, Louise Twyman of Niles, Michigan and Susan Harry of South Haven, Michigan. He was preceded in death by his father Malcolm Bruce Tait.

Private graveside services will be held at Lake View Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to: D.A.V. or V.F.W. Post 667, both of South Haven.

Arrangements by Calvin-Starks & Frost Funeral Home.

Wednesday
July 8, 1992

OBITUARY

Louie B. King

A graveside service was held Thursday, July 2, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Louie B. King of Wofford Heights. Officiating were the officers of the Kern River Valley Masonic Lodge No. 897.

Louie was born December 13, 1915 in Boon County, Arkansas. He died June 29, 1992 in Wofford Heights, CA. He was 76 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years Nellie King of Wofford Heights. Louie was a 15 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
July 15, 1992

OBITUARY

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OBITUARY

Marguerite Alice Haltestad

A funeral service was held July 1, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Marguerite Alice Haltestad of Weldon. Officiating was Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Interment followed at the Crystal Lake Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Marguerite was born October 2, 1891 in New York City, New York and died June 28, 1992 at her residence in Weldon. She was 100 years old. She was preceded in death by her husband George O. Haltestad of Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Harold and Evelyn Haltestad of Wofford Heights; daughters Dorothy and husband Jay Best of Weldon, Peggy Altmeyer and husband Ed of Palmdale; grandchildren Lynnae Jamison and husband Bob of Lake Isabella, Robin Cornick and husband Bill of Canoga Park, Dean Castle and wife Karen of Riverside, Georgia Castle of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Susan Thomas of Sioux Falls, So. Dakota and Lee Churchill of Minneapolis, Minnesota; 11 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Arrietta "Rita" Allman

Many will remember Rita Allman. She lived in the valley many years. She worked at the old and new Cozy Corner Cafes and Lazy River Lodge. She worked and lived at the Old Mark's Trailer Park.

She passed away suddenly at her home in Bakersfield June 26, 1992. She was born 86 years ago in Ayr, Nebraska on November 16, 1905.

She leaves two sons, a daughter and her favorite daughter-in-law Peggy Allman of Bakersfield, the widow of her son Richard Henry Allman who died last October. Sons are Leonard (and Leona) of Riverkern; Jack (and Patty) of Bakersfield. Her daughter is Joy (and Bud) Smith of Coffeyville, Kansas. Mrs. Allman had nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrietta was a loving and kind-hearted mother, a friend to all creatures of nature and a sympathetic listener to anyone who came her way. Many will miss her.

Evelyn Hope Mason

Evelyn Hope Mason passed away on June 20, 1992 at home in Houston, Texas. She had been ill for several months. Services are pending.

She is survived by: Thelma Likens of Elkins, West Virginia; George Shanabarger of Poland, Ohio; Billie Hewitt of Carson City, Nevada; Edna Beckner of Tehachapi, California; and Anita Metz of Houston, Texas.

Sunshine fades and shadows fall, but sweet remembrances outlast all.

Wednesday
July 22, 1992

OBITUARY

Lorence E. Wallace

A memorial service was held Tuesday, July 21 at 10:00 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge in Kernville, for Lorence Elbert Wallace of Wofford Heights. Mr. Wallace was born April 13, 1912 in Red Lodge, Montana and died at his residence in Wofford Heights July 16, 1992. He was 80 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Rose Wallace of Wofford Heights; daughters Ellen Reid of Eureka, CA, Margaret Sims of El Cajon, CA and Jean Lewis of Santa Rosa, CA; 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Mr. Wallace was a member of the Elks Lodge #2358 in Wofford Heights and a member of the Kern River Valley Masonic Lodge #827.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Audis "Sarge" Hegan

Born December 3, 1913, Audis "Sarge" Hegan died July 5, 1992.

Services are pending in Apple Valley.

Marvin W. Lewis

Marvin William Lewis, 26, of South Lake, died Saturday, July 4, 3 p.m., at his home following a lengthy illness. Memorial Services will be held Saturday, July 11, 1:30 p.m., at the South Shore Fellowship on Highway 178 in Mt. Mesa. Pastor James Lee will officiate.

Marvin was a 1983 graduate of Kern Valley High School and student body president in his senior year. He worked here in the valley for Bruce's Typewriter, for Payless as security and for Sierra South as a kayak instructor.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be given to the Valley Christian School Building Fund.

Wednesday
Aug. 5, 1992

OBITUARY

Wednesday
Aug. 5, 1992

OBITUARY

Clyde J. Casper

A memorial service was held Monday, July 27 at 11:00 a.m. at the Elks Lodge in Wofford Heights for Clyde Jerome Casper of Wofford Heights. Mr. Casper was born January 24,1907 in Montivedio, Minn. and died at Paramount Surburban Hospital in Paramount July 16, 1992. He was 85 years old.

Funeral services were held July 20, 1992 at St. Dominic Savio Catholic Church in Bellflower.

He is survived by his daughter, Mary Biggs, of Bellflower; 4 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Nellie L. Biederman

A funeral service was held August 3, 1992 for Nellie Louise Biederman at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Daryl Lackey of Mountain View Baptist Church in Lake Isabella.

Nellie Biederman was born November 13, 1920 in Missouri. She died July 30, 1992 at Mountain Mesa, California. She was 71 years old.

She is survived by her husband Frank Biederman of Lake Isabella; daughter Judy Grosch of Redding, CA; sister Mildred Sullivan also of Redding; 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. She was a Lady of the Moose and a member of the Kern Valley Search and Rescue.

Interment was at Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Robert LaTulippe

Robert Michael LaTulippe was born July 22, 1969 and died July 20, 1992.

He is survived by his wife Renee; daughter Heather; son Robert David; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gonzales of Lake Isabella and Jerome Comatov of Colorado; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Bowen of Lake Isabella; brothers Girard, Joseph and Martin; sisters Renee, Tracy and Caroline.

Robert was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella and Pastor Eric Malamma officiated at services held last Thursday at the Valley Mortuary Chapel.

He was laid to rest at the Kern Valley Cemetery.

John M. Williams

John M. Williams was born April 28, 1918 in Cheyenne, Oklahoma and died July 27, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 74 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years Betty Williams of Weldon; son James Williams of Sacramento, CA; daughter Barbara Torres of Clovis; daughter Susan Clark of Montana; brother Elbert Williams of Oklahoma; sisters Willa Mortensen of Utah and Winnie Maurizio of Van Nuys, CA; and 5 grandchildren.

John was a member of the Moose, Elk's, Eagle's, VFW, DAV and American Legion. He was a 32 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

A funeral service was held Friday, July 31, 1992 for John M. Williams of Weldon at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella. Interment at Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
July 29, 1992

OBITUARY

Charles Hubert Hamilton

A funeral service was held Friday, July 24, 1992 at 3:00 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Charles Hubert Hamilton of Onyx. Officiating was Pastor Robbie Robinson of the Weldon Southern Baptist Church. Interment followed Saturday, July 25 at Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana, CA.

Mr. Hamilton was born October 12, 1910 in Poplar Bluff Missouri and died July 21, 1992 at the Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. He was 81 years old. Mr. Hamilton was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Minnie Elizabeth, who died in 1989.

He is survived by his wife of 8 months, June Hamilton of Onyx; sons Charles Albert Hamilton of Australia and Virgil Leonard Hamilton of Fountain Valley, CA; daughter Shirley Renk of San Juan Capistrano, CA; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Mr. Hamilton was a 24 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
July 29, 1992

OBITUARY

Junia Bell Elam

Private services were held for Junia Bell Elam of Fresno, CA. She died on July 17, 1992 at the age of 81. Mrs. Elam was the owner of Vest Pocket Market in Bakersfield for 22 years.

She is preceded in death by her husband Ray Elam, who died in 1970.

Survivors include sons Ray Elam of Bakersfield and Terry Elam of Sparks, Nevada; daughter Alene Duncan of Fresno, California; sister Dorothy Welsh of Escondido, California; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Any remembrances may be sent to Alzheimer's Association, Woodward Park Station, P.O. Box 27812, Fresno, CA 93729-7812 or The Living Bank, 4545 Post Oak Place, Suite #315, Houston, TX 77027.

Lonnie Jackson Curtis

Lonnie Jackson Curtis was born in Keo, Arkansas on Feb. 7, 1920 and died in Bakersfield on June 22, 1992 at age 72. He was an 11 year resident of Bodfish.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Daisy Kelley Curtis, of Bodfish; brother and sister-in-law, Clyde and Frances Curtis of Hesperia, California; sister, Helen Curtis Moore of Fontana, California; aunt, Dovie Brand of Carlisle, Arkansas; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Clyde and Virginia Kelley of Kernville, California; Roy and Orleena Kelley of Calimesa, California; Alena Farr of Compton, California; and many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Curtis served five years during World War II and was a member of Kern River Valley D.A.V. #54 and a life member of Kern River Valley VFW Post #7665.

Interment was at Forest Lawn in Cypress, California on July 27, 1992. Officiating was Rev. Larry Jameson with vocalist Marsha Curtis Santiago.

Arrangements by Doty, Calhoun and O'Meara of Bakersfield, California.

Keith E. Archambeau, Sr.

Keith Archambeau, known by all his friends as "Archie," passed away July 15, 1992 at his home in Wofford Heights after a brief illness.

Archie was born May 8, 1931 in Maywood, California. He was 61 years old. He leaves his wife Nancy; two sons Keith, Jr. of Simi, California and Bart of Reno, Nevada; three daughters Dorita Valencich of Chino, California, Caryn Thompson of Lake Isabella and Cindy Jacobs of Bakersfield; ten grandchildren Jason and Ardele Valencich of Chino, Damon and Monica Archambeau of Simi, Nick, Charlotte, Wade and Jared Thompson of Lake Isabella, Ryan Jacobs of Bakersfield and Christina Archambeau of Reno, Nevada.

A 15 year resident, Archie owned the Valley Tire & Muffler in Wofford Heights for 7 years. He was a member of the K.V. Search & Rescue, W.H. Improvement Group, Elks, Moose and Lion's Club. Archie was a member of the Kernville Methodist Church.

He will truly be missed by all.

Leonard Cournoyer, Sr.

Leonard Cournoyer, Sr. died August 5, 1992, at the Kenneth Norris Jr. Cancer Hospital in Los Angeles. He was a resident of Weldon for the past 18 years. He was 78 years old.

Mr. Cournoyer was preceded in death by his wife Mary. He is survived by his son Leonard Jr., his daughter Phyllis, his son-in-law Rick, six great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to the Kenneth Norris Jr. Cancer Hospital, 1441 East Lake Ave., Los Angeles, California 90033-0804.

He will be truly missed by all who knew him.

Bert Floyd Wilfred Morford

Bert Floyd Wilfred Morford, of Bodfish, died Aug. 6, 1992 at the age of 65. Private cremation will be made by Cremation Society of Fresno, CA.

Mr. Morford had been a jet mechanic for the U.S. Air Force for 23 years. He lived in Bodfish since 1971.

He is survived by daughter Beverly Baggs of Bakersfield, CA; daughter Marilyn Morford Boswell of Virginia; sister Evelyn Vantassel of Paris, CA; brothers Raymond and Ernie Morford of Adelanto, CA.

Virgle "Jack" Vanlee Caraway

A memorial service was held Wednesday, Aug. 5, 1992 at 2:00 at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Virgle "Jack" Vanlee Caraway of Lake Isabella. Officiating were the officers of the VFW, Post #7665.

Mr. Caraway was born September 28, 1921 in Belton, Texas and died August 2, 1992 in Fresno, CA.

"Jack" was a veteran of WWII, serving from 1942 to 1946. He served as an honor guard for many of his fallen comrades in WWII. He retired from Redondo Beach after 33 years as a heavy equipment operator.

"Jack" Caraway is survived by sons, Michael Caraway of Missouri, Virgle Vanlee Caraway II of Lake Isabella, CA, James Caraway of Lake Isabella, CA; daughters, Vanna Russell of Missouri, Carla Tolliver of Missouri; brother Carl Caraway of Buena Park, CA; sister Etta Rotan of Lake Isabella, CA; and very dear friend, Barbara Hunter of Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wallace "Mike" William Franklin

Private cremation services were held for Wallace "Mike" William Franklin of Weldon. He was born February 23, 1926 in Kentucky and died August 6, 1992 in Mt. Mesa.

Mr. Franklin was 66 years old. He was a resident of the Kern River Valley for 14 years.

Mr. Franklin is survived by Marilyn Franklin, his wife of 19 years; sons Michael D. Franklin of CA, Michael A. McKissick of Southlake, CA, Don K. McKissick of Glendora, CA; daughters Deanna Bagley of Rescue, CA, Sandy Leich of CA, Susan Ferguson of CA, Shannon Anderson of San Gabriel, CA, Renee Franklin of San Gabriel, CA, Debbie Walker of Weldon, CA; 20 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Loretta E. Bradshaw

A graveside service was held Friday, August 14, 1992 at 10 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Loretta E. Bradshaw of Ridgecrest. Officiating was the VFW Auxiliary Post #7665 Kern River Valley. Loretta was born February 26, 1914 in Porterville, CA and died at her residence in Ridgecrest August 8, 1992. She was 78 years old. Loretta was employed for 32 years at the LaFiesta Restaurant in Ridgecrest, she was a charter member of the VFW Auxiliary Post #7665 Kern River Valley. She loved to fish in California streams and lakes.

Mrs. Bradshaw is survived by her daughter Dale "Don" Lane of Ridgecrest; son James Wallace of Lakewood; grandchildren Valerie Lane of Ridgecrest, Debra Lane of Ridgecrest Connie Spickard of Livermore, CA, Colleen Blades of Ridgecrest, James H. Wallace of Oceanside, CA and Dawn Wallace of Lakewood, CA; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Ridgecrest Mortuary.

Diane Ruth Frascona

A memorial service was held Friday, August 14, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Moose Lodge #498 in Lake Isabella for Diane Ruth Frascona of Wofford Heights. Officiating were the Ladies of the Moose. Diane was born April 11, 1936 in California and died August 10, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA. She was 56 years old.

She is survived by her sons Vince Frascona of Fresno, David Wamsley of Bodfish, Chris Frascona of Oregon; daughter Carol Frascona of Kernville; brother Chase McNeil of Washington; sister Betty M. Williams of Wofford Heights; 8 grandchildren and her very dear friend, Bob Stewart.

Diane was a life member of the Ladies of the Elks and a member of the Moose. She was last employed as a Hostess at the Moose Lodge #498 in Lake Isabella.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Aug. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

Floyd Pearl

A funeral service was held Thursday, August 13, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Floyd Pearl of Bodfish. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View So. Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Floyd was a long time resident of Ridgecrest working as a carpenter in the construction business, and working for a short time in Trona. He was born May 12, 1912 in New York and died August 10, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 80 years old.

Floyd is survived by his wife of 47 years Ila of Bodfish.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Jerome "Jerry" Both

Jerome "Jerry" Both, native of Buffalo, New York, passed away on Wednesday, August 19 in Ridgecrest, CA.

Jerry leaves his wife of 58 years, Marge and son Charles and his wife Sherry of Portland, Oregon; also 3 grandchildren Michael, Gregory and Amy Simpson and 2 great-grandchildren, all of Oregon.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister, leaving one sister Genevieve Palmer of Attica, New York.

The memorial mass, celebrated by Monsignor Gilbert Meyer on Saturday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Jude's Church in Wofford Heights. In attendance were the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Admiral Callaghan Assembly of Bakersfield and Lady of the Lake Council 7927 of Lake Isabella.

Jerry was a resident of the valley for almost twenty years. He was loved by many and will be missed by his golfing buddies and fellow bowlers.

Wednesday
Aug. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

John Earl Payne

A graveside service was held Friday, July 31, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kern River Cemetery in Wofford Heights for John Earl Payne of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View So. Baptist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mr. Payne was born May 17, 1923 in Norfolk, Nebraska and died July 28, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 69 years old. Mr. Payne was a veteran of WWII serving in the Army from 1943 to 1945 serving in the European theater.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years Dolores of Lake Isabella; his mother Nina Earhart of Ventura, CA; son David Payne of Buena Park, CA; daughter Carol Waier of Boulder Creek, CA; daughter Cindy Lopez of Altaloma, CA; brother Don Payne of Lumis, CA; sister Betty Smith of Covina, CA; and 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Aug. 26, 1992

OBITUARY

Violet "Vi" May Coatney

Private cremation services were held for Violet May Coatney of Bodfish. Mrs. Coatney was born May 29, 1908 in Idaho and died at her residence in Bodfish on August 20, 1992. She was 84 years old. Violet served as a Pink Lady at the Kern River Valley Hospital and was a member of the South Fork Women's Club.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years Corum "Hi" Coatney of Bodfish; brothers Homer Reynolds of Idaho, Chet Reynolds of Idaho, Ed Reynolds of Idaho, and Andrew Reynolds of Washington.

Interment of her cremated remains will be at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

Vera Irene Betteridge

A funeral service was held Tuesday, August 25, 1992 at 10 a.m. at the Kern Valley Bible Church in Lake Isabella for Vera Irene Betteridge of Bodfish. Officiating was Pastor Jack Dilley. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

Vera was born August 13, 1906 in Ottawa, Canada and died at Kern Valley Hospital in Mt. Mesa. She was 86 years old. Vera was a member of the Eastern Star and Grandmothers' Club of the Kern River Valley. She is survived by her husband of 33 years Bob Betteridge of Bodfish; son Dave Betteridge of Las Vegas, NV; son Myron B. Betteridge of La Crecenta, CA; daughter Pamala Torrey of Monrovia, CA; daughter Ruth Omohundro of Lancaster, CA; 8 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 2, 1992

MEMORIAL

In Memory of Monsignor Denis Joseph Doherty –

In memory of Monsignor Denis Joseph Doherty, contributions have been made to Monsignor Anthony Herdegen, St. Jude's Catholic Church, in memory of the following people listed below:

Eleanor Abelson, Maude H. Balazs, Catherine Barry, Charles Barnard, Edith Barnard, Ralph Beck, Velena Beck, William Burrus, Johanna Doty, Shirley Dye, Clay Eytcheson, William Edge, Michael Bowen Defiel, Lawerence Fuller, Joe C. Ehrlich, M.D., Hazel McGee, William Gettig, Margaret Kitzmiller, Ernie Bartell, Susan C. Kelly, James David Jensen, Elsie Hannah, Roy Harris, Sarah Harris, Daniel Thomas Meredith, M.D., Susan Mary O'Mara, Robert Parsons, Joseph Previte, Brother Patrick, Santa Ines Mission, Joseph L. Roche, Harry Muench, Abraham L. Ramenofshy, M.D., Helen Schmid, Wiley Spivey, Clarence Smith, Agnes Smith, Vera Shreffler, Ruby Mae Shrode, John J. Matzinger, Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Guggenheim, Jack Williams, Dorothy Sutherland, Beverly "BEV" Sellers, Sophia Wasielewski, Julia B. Wasielewski, Louis Weil, Jr., Betty Wright, Thelma Wilson, Francis Vallely, Clara G., "Louise Collins," Wadsworth, Betty Jean Zeeb, Elizabeth Garmire. Benjamin Wadsworth.

Wednesday
Sept. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

Linda L. Kirby

Linda L. Kirby passed away August 24, 1992. She was born September 8, 1932.

She is survived by her husband Newton Kirby of South Lake; her three sons Walter Kirby, David Kirby and Richard Kirby; and 12 grandchildren.

She was a former employee of the DMV in Lake Isabella where she was well known by the people of the Kern River Valley.

There were no services. The cremated remains were taken care of by the family. She will be missed by her co-workers and her family.

Wednesday
Sept. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Al Keegan

Albert Vincent Keegan, born April 9, 1927 in Long Island, New York, passed quietly away at home with his loving family at his side on September 7, 1992.

Since 1970, Al was known to his many friends as Owner/Operator of Roads End Resort. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him for his humorous outlook and responses to patrons, his love of family and home, and his dedication to the countless youths, who have continued to return as adults with their own children and the fondest of memories.

Al is survived by Fran, his wife and partner of 46 years; daughter Patti Stucker of Roads End; daughter Barbi Zimmerman of Wofford Heights; brothers David, Paul and Donovan; sister Lois Draper; and five grandchildren James, Kevin, Sandy, Paul and Nathan. He was preceded in death by an infant son, James; brothers Tom and John; and sister Elocile.

Al served his country in the U.S. Navy and was a member of the Kern River Valley Elks.

To allow travel time for his many distant friends and relatives, a memorial service is planned for 11:00 a.m., Thursday, September 17, at the Four-Square Church, Wofford Heights. An open house and pot luck will immediately follow at his beloved Roads End.

The family requests that donations to your favorite charity be made, in lieu of flowers.

Wednesday
Sept. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Jerald M. Walgren

Mr. Jerald (Jerry) M. Walgren passed away suddenly on August 24, 1992 at his home in Weldon at the age of 81.

At his request no services were held locally. Following cremation the remains were taken to Waterloo, Iowa for burial.

Mr. Walgren was born in Iowa on June 10, 1911. He is survived by 3 daughters and their husbands: Mrs. Jan Napier and husband, John, of Parkersburg, Iowa; Mrs. Jackie Newhoff and husband, Rudy of Waterloo, Iowa; and Mrs. Ruth Hill and husband, Marty, also of Waterloo, Iowa. He is also survived by 14 grand children.

He was employed by McDonnell Douglas Company in Southern California until his retirement. He moved to the Kern Valley in 1974.

Wednesday
Sept. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Thomas Neil Sorenson, Jr.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Sept. 12 at 1:00 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel for Thomas Neil Sorenson, Jr. of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Willard Van Fossen.

Mr. Sorenson was born September 18, 1935 in Madera, California and died September 5, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, California. He was a member of the Eagles Aerie #3156 in Kernville.

He was survived by his wife Lawana of three years; sons, Steve Sorenson and Don Sorenson, both of Garden Grove, California; daughter, Diana Plate of Anaheim, California; four granddaughters; brother, Jim Sorenson of Kernville, California; and sister, Elaine Spaan of Kernville, California.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Norman Wayne Rogers

Graveside services were held last month for Norman Wayne Rogers, 58, who died at Tucson Medical Center in Tucson, Arizona.

Mr. Rogers was born June 22, 1934 in Sanborn County, South Dakota to Cecil Dwayne Rogers and Helen Carpenter Rogers. Mr. Rogers worked with road crews in South Dakota and Arizona for many years. He also taught English and history, including several years at Buena High School in Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Mr. Rogers is survived by his wife, Sharilyn, publisher of the Douglas Arizona Daily Dispatch and former publisher of the Kern Valley Sun; two daughters, Tamara Voas, of Half Moon Bay, California and Valorie Jeffrey, of Indonesia; two brothers, Jim Rogers, of Sioux Falls, S.D., and Larry Rogers, of Worthington, Minn.; four grandchildren: Jacob, Tyler and Samuel Voas, of Half Moon Bay, California and Kimberly Jeffrey, of Indonesia; and many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his mother, Helen, of Mitchell, S.D. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Kimberly.

Wednesday
Sept. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Alan Ross Tuttle

A graveside service was held Thursday, September 10, 1992 at 1:00 p.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Alan Ross Tuttle of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Pastor John Carpenter of the Kernville United Methodist Church.

Mr. Tuttle was born December 19, 1922 in old Kernville and died at his residence in Wofford Heights September 7, 1992. He was 69 years old. He resided in the Kern Valley his entire life and was employed by Southern California Edison and retired after 41 years of service. He was an U.S. Army veteran of WWII and a member of the Sidewalk CBers.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years Ann J. Tuttle of Wofford Heights; son & daughter-in-law Alan R. Jr. (Beau) and Brenda Tuttle of Bishop; daughter, Susie Tuttle Sparks of Brookings, Oregon; granddaughters, Shannor R. (Sam) Tuttle, Rhonda S. (Roni) Tuttle and Liberty E. Sparks; soon-to-be great grand baby and numerous other family and friends.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Cheryle Ann Hobill

A graveside service was held Monday, September 14, 1992 at 10:00 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery for Cheryle Ann Hobill of Bodfish. Officiating was Mel Hetrick. Cheryle was born September 29, 1960 in Gardena, California and died in Bakersfield, California, September 10, 1992. She was 31 years old. She was affiliated with Slugger's and Arlie's.

Mrs. Hobill is survived by her husband Ron Hobill of Torrance, California; son Michael Hobill of Bodfish; daughter Ashley Hobill of Bodfish; daughter Desiree Hobill of Bodfish; mother Mary Helen Ellis and stepfather Richard Ellis of Bodfish; brother Kenneth Moore of Lakewood, California; brother Richie Ellis of Bodfish and sister Connie Lopez of Torrance, California.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Emmett R. Berry, Sr.

Private family graveside services were held Saturday, September 19 in the Oak Grove Cemetery at Glennville, for Emmett R. Berry, Sr., who died September 17, in Porterville from complications of a fall and broken hip. Emmett was born August 23, 1894 to Belle and J.H. Berry, Linns Valley Pioneers. Belle was born in Placerville (Hangtown) in 1854 and J.H. was a teacher in Kern County and was the Kern County Superintendent of Schools in the late 1800's.

Emmett met Ruth Burton and married her November 19, 1917 in Bakersfield and would have celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary in November of this year. Ruth was from a Kern County pioneer family also. Both Emmett R. and Ruth have lived in Kern and Tulare counties most of their lives. Emmett was an educator for over 36 years and was last affiliated with the State Department of Education for the state of California. He was a teacher/principal at Kernville in 1917, Beardsley School in 1919 to 1923, Superintendent of El Modena Elementary Schools in Orange County from 1923 to 1925, Superintendent of La Habra Elementary Schools in Orange County from 1925 to 1936, Superintendent of Porterville Elementary School in Tulare County from 1936 to 1949, Chief Bureau of Redistricting for State of California Department of Education from 1949 to 1953 and retired in 1953. He then became Postmaster of Posey Post Office at Posey, Jack Ranch in Tulare County from 1954 to 1960. He was a proud World War One veteran having served in France from 1917 to 1918.

Emmett was the author of a book on the history of his family home area in the Sierra foothills in 1975, called "A History of Jack Ranch." He also wrote a booklet, "My First Job," an account of him helping install one of the flume pipelines to the Edison Dynamos on the Tule River above Springville when he was 18. He was a member of the American Legion and Rotary in Porterville and the Kiwanis Club in La Habra.

He is survived by his loving wife Ruth Burton Berry; his son Raymond Berry of Cambia; his daughters Betty Cameron of Springville and Joan Reynolds of Jack Ranch; also 9 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

There will be no visitations and the family requests in lieu of flowers that donations be made to Nature Conservancy, Bakersfield Chapter.

Arrangements by Mish Funeral Home of Bakersfield, 399-9391.

Wednesday
Sept. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Earl Malcolm Dunlap

A graveside service was held Thursday, September 17, 1992 at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Earl Malcolm Dunlap of Bodfish. Officiating was Pastor John Carpenter of the United Methodist Church of Kernville.

Mr. Dunlap was born May 20, 1921 in Indiana and died September 12, 1992 in Bodfish. He was 71 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years Mildred Dunlap of Bodfish; son Dennis Dunlap of Tujunga, CA; daughter Jan Dunlap of Tujunga, CA; daughter Linda Skutnik of Virginia; daughter Gail Shaffer of Bakersfield, CA; brother Kenneth Dunlap of Chicago, IL; brother Ernest Dunlap of Pennsylvania; brother Robert Dunlap of Chicago, IL; sister Norma Muctchmore of Illinois; and 5 grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Margaret Ann Matlock

A funeral service was held Saturday, September 19, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Margaret Ann Matlock of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

Margaret was born December 27, 1911 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and died September 16, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, CA. She was 79 years old.

She is survived by her son Greg Standerfer of Solana Beach, CA; brother Ray Bielke of Wisconsin; grandchildren Greg and Angelo Standerfer of Solana Beach, CA.

Mrs. Matlock was a 41 year resident of Kern County, a Lady of the Moose and a member of the VFW Auxiliary.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

James Wesley Foster

James (Jim) Wesley Foster was born July 19, 1910 in Port Arthur, Texas. When he was six his father moved his family of wife, Sally and three sons to Durand, Oklahoma, where Jim received his education. He was always interested in cooking and observed his mother at every opportunity. He was employed by a local restaurant where he met a U.S. Navy Commander who urged him to join the Navy where he in a short time became a CCS and was honorably discharged in 1963.

He passed away Sept. 14 at his home. He is survived by his wife Beth; step-son Jack and Sue, his wife; step-daughter Christie and a cousin Johnnie Mae Davis of Seattle, Washington. Memorial services were held at the Elks Lodge with the V.F.W. assisting, Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Clarence "Bud" Burgess

Clarence "Bud" Burgess died September 13, 1992 at the age on 77 years. He was a resident of Kernville for 20 years.

Mr. Burgess is survived by his wife of 25 years, Enid; daughters Mary, Barbara, Ginny; son Norman; grandchildren Rachael, Kevin and Jared.

Wednesday
Sept. 30, 1992

OBITUARY

Ollie Esther Tarter

A funeral service was held Wednesday, September 23, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake Isabella for Ollie Esther Tarter of Lake Isabella. Officiating was Pastor Deryl Lackey. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Ollie E. Tarter was born September 26, 1896 in Watervalley, Kentucky and died September 19, 1992 at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield, after a short illness. She was 95 years old.

Mrs. Tarter was seven days short of her 96 birthday and had lived in Lake Isabella and Ridgecrest for the past 22 years. Ollie was a charter member of the National Garden Club in Oklahoma City, OK and a member of the Ridgecrest Desert Planters. She was an active member and a founder of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake Isabella. They held meetings in her home in Lake Isabella with the founding name of the First Bodfish Baptist Chapel, later named Mt. View Southern Baptist Church. Ollie was an active Rebecah in her earlier days and was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church of Ridgecrest, CA.

She is survived by her son Albert R. Dodson and daughter-in-law Trilbia A. Dodson of Lake Isabella; granddaughter Judith A. Wirsing and husband; great-grandsons Daniel D. and Richard R. Wirsing of Nipomo, CA; great-granddaughter Shawn E. Vasquez and great-great-grandsons Eric, James and Peter Vasquez of Nipomo, CA.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Sept. 30, 1992

OBITUARY

Robert Keller Alden

Robert Keller Alden was a resident of Wofford Heights and a carpenter by trade. He had lived in the Kern River Valley for eight years. He was born February 10, 1950 in Seaside, Oregon. He passed away September 1, 1992 in Phoenix, Arizona. He was 42 years old.

A mass was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 5, at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Phoenix; preceded by a memorial service held at Saint Francis Mausoleum in Phoenix, where he was laid to rest.

He is survived by his daughter Tracy Faith Alden of Phoenix; parents Richard and Kathleen Alden of Phoenix; sister Patricia Alden of Portland, Oregon; and many friends, all of whom will miss him very much.

Wednesday
Sept. 30, 1992

OBITUARY

Edward Kelly

Edward Kelly, age 65, died September 23, 1992 in Lake Isabella, CA. He was born in San Bernadino, CA on July 11, 1927. He was a truck driver for 28 years. He was retired and a resident of Lake Isabella.

He is survived by his wife Lucille Kelly of Lake Isabella; son Bruce Kelly of Rancho Cucamonga; son William Edward Kelly of Perris; granddaughter Christine Kelly of Rancho Cucamonga; grandson David Kelly of Perris.

Services were held Saturday, September 26, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. at Valley Mortuary.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 7, 1992

OBITUARY

James Earle Leu

A memorial service was held on Friday, September 25 at 11 a.m. at the Elks Lodge for James (Jim) Earle Leu of Wofford Heights.

Jim was born May 4, 1937 in Marshfield, Wisconsin and died September 21, 1992. He was 55 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Kitty; daughters Debbie Leu and Tammy Leu of Bodfish; son and daughter-in-law Steve and Sue Leu and grandson Christopher of Bodfish; brothers Bob Leu of Appleton, Wisconsin; Jon Leu of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; sisters Lorna Davel of Neenah-Menasha, Wisconsin; Luella Tucker of Chicago, Illinois, and many nieces and nephews.

Jim was a thirteen year resident of the Kern River Valley and owner of Kern Valley Home Supply and was a member of the Elks Lodge.

Wednesday
Oct. 14, 1992

OBITUARY

Anna D'Amato Valentino

A mass for Christian burial was held Friday, October 9, 1992 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Jude's Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Anna D'Amato Valentino, former resident of the Kern River Valley. Officiating was Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen of St. Jude's Parish Catholic Church.

Anna was born August 5, 1915 in Palermo, Sicily and died at her brothers residence in Warren, Ohio. She was 77 years old.

She is survived by her brother Anthony D. D'Amato of Warren, Ohio; brother Francisco D'Amato of Bakersfield, California; and 3 grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

William W. Vaeth

Family services will be held at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier, California for William W. Vaeth. He died of a heart attack on October 8, 1992 at Bakersfield Memorial.

William is survived by daughter Deanna Bunce of Glendale, California; grandson Michael Austin; and great-grandson Sean Michael Austin.

Wednesday
Oct. 14, 1992

OBITUARY

Opal O. "Mickie" Nelson

A graveside service was held Monday, October 12, 1992 at 2:30 p.m. at Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Opal O. "Mickie" Nelson of Weldon. Officiating was Pastor David Snow of the First Baptist Church of Lake Isabella.

Mickie was born February 24, 1922 in Lawrence, South Carolina, and died October 8, 1992 at her residence in Weldon after a long illness. She was 70 years old. Mickie was a 20 year resident of the Kern River Valley. She was a retired beautician, worked with the U.S. Forestry Service and sold fishing tackle in the valley for a time. She was active in Eastern Star, Moose and Dam Dancers.

She is survived by her husband Vernon of Weldon; daughter Shirley Ann Penland of Santa Barbara; sons James Donald White and Ernest William White of Belveder, S.C.; also 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 21, 1992

OBITUARY

Mable Lucille Horton

Services were held for Mable Lucille Horton in Highland Chapel on October 15, 1992 by Pastor Floyd R. Castillo. Mable was born in Lamar, Colorado on February 11, 1905. She went to college to become a school teacher and looked forward to a teaching career. She was married to Richard Horton on June 6, 1926.

She taught school in southeast Colorado until they moved to California around 1930. While Richard traveled with the Southern Pacific railroad, Mable remained at home, content to be a mother and wife. When Richard retired in 1964, they had a home built in Mountain Mesa where they have lived together until she was hospitalized in March of this year when Richard broke his hip and was physically unable to care for her. She died on October 11, 1992 in Bakersfield. Mable and Richard had joined the Highland Chapel United Methodist Church in 1970.

Mable was married to Richard Horton for 66 years. She is survived by him and their son, Doyle and his wife, Peggy; four grandchildren Sharon, Diane, Elizabeth and Richard; and great-grandchildren Mary and Lindsay. She will be fondly remembered by her many friends.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 21, 1992

OBITUARY

Troy T. Thompson

Troy T. Thompson was born August 12, 1903 and died at his residence in Wofford Heights on October 8, 1992 at the age of 89. He had been a resident of the valley for 20 years.

His final resting place is at Rose Hills Cemetery in Los Angeles, California.

Troy is survived by his wife of 28 years, Nancy M. Thompson of Wofford Heights; daughter Diana Corrinton of Alta Loma, California; daughter Elizabeth Patterson of Rialto, California; daughter Troy Linda Frost of Bullhead City, Arizona; daughter Angeline Freeman of Amarillo, Texas; step-daughter Lorraine Williams of Columbus, Ohio; step-daughter Irene Bennett of Lake Elsinore, California; step-daughter Josephine Bennett of Inez, Kentucky and step-daughter Gertrude McCoy of Williamson, West Virginia; along with many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was loved by his family and will be deeply missed. He was a great and giving man.

Arrangements were made by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 21, 1992

OBITUARY

Ardice "Peggy" Cossette Mather

Private services were held for Ardice "Peggy" Cossette Mather of Kernville. Peggy was born in Iowa and died October 5, 1992 at her residence in Kernville.

She is survived by her husband of 14 years, Joseph Mather of Kernville; daughter Doris Johnson of Colorado; and 3 grandchildren.

Peggy was an Elks Lady.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Walter A. Keithley

Memorial services were held October 19 at the Eagles Lodge Aerie #3156 at Mt. Mesa for Walter A. Keithley who passed away in his home after a lengthy illness. The Eagles Lodge and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7665 of Lake Isabella officiated.

Mr. Keithley was born January 25, 1910. He passed away October 9, 1992. He was a native of South Pasadena and had lived in this community most of his life.

Walter was a plumber for over 40 years and was affiliated with San Marino Plumbing Company. He retired in 1978 and moved to Lake Isabella, where he then became associated with the Baptist Church of Lake Isabella, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Eagles Lodge and the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his children Gloria Jeanne Lillis, her husband Robert (Coach of the San Francisco Giants); Richard Keithley of Riverside; stepson Robert Gazzetta of New York; brother Harvey Keithley of San Marino; sisters Wilma Ferguson of Wofford Heights, Gertrude Spainhower of Lake Isabella and Charlene Thomas of Altadena; also four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Wednesday
Oct. 28, 1992

OBITUARY

Ethel Mae Halverson

Ethel Mae Halverson was born in St. Charles, Minnesota on August 12, 1911. She passed away October 2, 1992 at the age of 81.

She married Norman Halverson March 7, 1931 and had two daughters. Wannie Orlene preceded her in death. She is survived by Merilyn Hilsabeck of Lake Isabella; four grandchildren Kay Ferry of Fontana, California and Butch, Perry and Mike Hilsabeck of Cane Junction, Oregon; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Halverson retired as a retail clerk of Boys Market. She was a member of Grace Bible Church.

Wednesday
Oct. 28, 1992

OBITUARY

Janet E. Janssen

Graveside memorial services were held on Saturday, October 24 at 11:00 a.m. in the Kern River Valley District Cemetery for Mrs. Janet Janssen, age 56, of Wofford Heights. Officiating was Reverend John Revis, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kernville.

Mrs. Janssen passed away Wednesday morning in a Bakersfield hospital. She was born October 3, 1936 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. She and Joseph Janssen were married in Toronto December 31, 1955.

Mrs. Janssen was a very giving caring person who was devoted to her family. She loved her garden and flowers.

She is survived by her husband Joseph at the family home in Wofford Heights; daughters Lori Brannon of Raleigh, North Carolina and Heather Janssen of Galena, Illinois; brother John McArthur of Bancroft, Ontario, Canada and sister Vickie Fraser of Haliburton, Ontario, Canada. She is also survived by three grandchildren Cameron Brannon, Hayden Brannon and Hailey Coursen.

The family suggests remembrances in her name to the American Cancer Society. The Bonewell family, Taft Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Wednesday
Oct. 28, 1992

OBITUARY

George Erich Hiersekorn

Cremation arrangements were made for George Erich Hiersekorn of Wofford Heights. Mr. Hiersekorn was born March 3, 1910 in Germany and died October 19, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 82 years old.

Mr. Hiersekorn immigrated from Germany in 1951 to Canada and after three and a half years immigrated from Canada to the U.S. and moved from Orange county 19 years ago to the Kern River Valley.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years Edith Hiersekorn of Wofford Heights.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Oct. 28, 1992

OBITUARY

Beverly Averett Paine

It is with great sorrow that we announce the loss of Beverly Averett Paine of Wofford Heights. She was born in Idaho 63 years ago and entered "heavens gates" October 14, 1992 after a battle with cancer.

She is survived by her loving husband Ralph, her son and daughter, grandson and granddaughter and great-granddaughter and her loving friends of 30 years, Kenneth Shoulders family and their extended family.

May God hold you in His loving arms. Farewell Mother, peace be with you.

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Wednesday
Nov. 4, 1992

OBITUARY

Leroy Maurice Jackson

LeRoy Maurice Jackson, a former Kern County supervisor, died Saturday, Oct.. 31 in Bakersfield.

Jackson was born July 31, 1921 in Omaha, Nebraska and had been a resident of Kern County for more than 33 years.

He was last employed by the state as Assistant Director of Transportation.

Jackson attended Omaha University and UCLA and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Jackson was a mathematics and physics instructor at Pasadena City College from 1948 - 52 and served as personnel management and training director from 1952 - 59.

During 1959 - 1965, he served as the director of community relations for China Lake Naval Weapons Center.

In 1965, he was elected representative of the first district on the Kern County Board of Supervisors and served until 1977.

Jackson represented the people of North Bakersfield, Shafter, McFarland, Inyokern, Ridgecrest, and China Lake, including the outlying areas. Jackson served three years as chairman of the board and also served on the Parks, Agriculture, Administrative practices, Judicial, Mental Health, Hospital, and Air Pollution committees.

Jackson was active in real estate sales, development, and investments from 1977 until his death.

He received honors and awards from Phi Delta Kappa, the Junior Chamber of Commerce award for good government, was a life member of the PTA and earned the Kern County service award. His memberships included the board of directors, Bakersfield Community Hospital, VFW, DAV and American Legion Post 26; BPO Elks #266; Stockdale Country Club; past director and executive secretary of Rosemead Chamber of Commerce; charter president of Rosemead Lions International.

Jackson was past member of the Ridgecrest Hospital advisory board, the Indian Wells Valley family counseling service board, and was charter president of the Indian Wells Valley United Fund.

Jackson was also past committee chairman for Southern Sierra Council, Boy Scouts of America, past member of the Southern San Joaquin Committee for Higher Education, the Henrietta Weill Memorial child guidance clinic board, past president of Ridgecrest Kiwanis club, and charter president of Stockdale West Kiwanis club. He was also past president of Burroughs High School PTA, past member of the Kern Clunty Planning Commission and past member and chairman of the Kern County Board of Education.

Jackson is survived by his wife, Jean, of Bakersfield, son and daughter-in-law, Leroy and Connie Jackson of Torrance, CA, daughter and son-in-law, Theresa and Gary Butler of Nevada; stepsons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Sherri Wilson, John and Marilyn Wilson and Craig and Winette Wilson, all of Bakersfield; 14 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren; and his sister and brother-in-law, Delores and Ray Valenzuela of Manhattan Beach.

Services will be held at the Lutheran Church of Prayer, 8001 Panorama and Morning Drive, Bakersfield, on Wed., Nov. 4 at 1:30 p.m. Rev. Gene Bush will officiate and supervisor Roy Ashburn will present the eulogy. Casketbearers will be his grandsons, Ramon Jackson, Rob Roy Jackson, Richard Jackson, Ryan Jackson, and Chris Wilson. Interment will follow at Greenlawn Memorial Park, 3700 River Blvd., with military honors presented by the Associated Veterans of Kern county.

Wednesday
Nov. 11, 1992

OBITUARY

Floy Ethel Christy

Floy Ethel Christy, age 81, former resident of Lake Isabella, California & Independence, California. Born March 14, 1911 in Avery, Missouri, died October 30, 1992 in Anaheim, California. She was a homemaker all of her adult life.

She is survived by daughter Ethel Hansen of Norwalk, California; daughter Idella Jackman of Seattle, Washington; son William Christy of Pasco, Washington; son Kenneth Christy of Bodfish, California; sister Orah Day of Missouri; and 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, November 3, 1992 at the Owens Valley Mortuary in Lone Pine, California. Officiant Pastor Ben Sparks of the Mt. Whitney Baptist Church. Interment followed at the Independence Cemetery in Independence, California.

Owens Valley Mortuary Directors.

Wednesday
Nov. 11, 1992

OBITUARY

Harold Russell Glazebrook

Cremation services were held for Harold Russell Glazebrook of Southlake. Mr. Glazebrook was born February 24, 1923 in Grandriver, Iowa and died November 4, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 69 years old.

He is survived by his wife Lorraine Glazebrook of Southlake; mother Vera Glazebrook of Iowa; son Mike G. Glazebrook of Sacramento, CA; son Howard Glazebrook of Chino, CA; daughter Terri Lynn Glazebrook of Chino, CA; sister Cecil Adams of Iowa; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Eula Mae Armet

Eula Mae Armet was born into this world, February 29, 1912, in the state of Texas. After being raised in Texas, at the age of 23, she married her husband of 57 years, Harold.

Harold and Eula Mae moved to the bay area in 1940 and after spending most of their lives there, where Harold worked as a saddle maker, and Eula Mae spent her time and energies as a home maker. They moved to the L.A. Basin, then up here to the Kern River Valley in 1981. They have been residents of our valley for the last 12 years.

Eula Mae was involved in community services throughout her life. She was honored with a lifetime membership for her involvement in P.T.A. and was very active in the T.O.P.S. organization as well, serving as President of the Wofford Heights Group for a number of years. Most important of all, though, was Eula Mae's commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ. She was a faithful member throughout her life in his church, and at the time of her death was a faithful and active member of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church in Lake Isabella. She was taken from this life to be at home with the Lord, Friday, November 6, 1992 in Bakersfield.

She is survived by her husband Harold; a son Harold, Jr.; and his wife Gloria of Havalia; one daughter Barbara Haffar and her husband Majdi of Huntington Park, two grandchildren Wesley and Loura; and many nieces and nephews.

Pall bearers were Wesley Armet, Majdi Haffar, Walter Morton, Walter Rawls, Harvey Whitten and Paul Baily. Services were held Tuesday, November 10 at the Mt. View Church with Pastor Deryl Lackey officiating. Interment followed at the Kern Valley Cemetery.

Harriett Riggs Lee

Private arrangements were made for Harriett Riggs Lee, 73, of Kernville. She was born August 19, 1919 in Kensington, Maryland. She died November 11, 1992 in Mt. Mesa.

She is survived by her husband of 47 years Darrel of Kernville; sons Darrel of Torrence and Tim and Robert of Pomona; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

Arrangements were made by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

Stewart Loree Vaughan

Stewart Loree Vaughan, 69, a California native son born in Van Nuys, died November 7, 1992 at his home in Watsonville, California after a long valiant fight with diabetes and cancer.

He served his country as an Army First Sergeant in the 778th Batallion in Europe from 1943 to 1946. He was a fireman for the Los Angeles City Fire Department for 20 years as well as a master mechanic and a member of Operating Engineers Local 12. Stew was a member of the Van Nuys Masonic Lodge #450.

Upon retirement, he and his wife of 50 years, Ruth, moved to Kernville where they became actively involved in the Kern River Valley.

In addition to Ruth, he leaves a daughter Carla Vaughan of Capitola, California; a daughter Sandra Carpenter, of Grants Pass, Oregon; a brother Wayne Vaughan of Santa Barbara and two grandchildren.

Private services and interment were held at Oakwood Memorial Park in Chatsworth, California.

The family prefers remembrances to Hospice Caring Project of Santa Cruz, 6851 Soquel Drive, Aptos, California 95003.

Wednesday
Nov. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

Frances (Mac) N. McDonald

Frances (Mac) N. McDonald, died November 12, 1992 at home in Lake Isabella. He was born August 9, 1910 in Marion, Indiana to Marry Orr and James McDonald. He moved to Lake Isabella in 1975 upon retirement from Glass Containers Corp. in Vernon, Ca. He served his apprenticeship in glass making in Marion, Ind. continued in that field as a mold maker until he retired.

Mac was active in the Knights of Columbus and the St. Vincent DePaul Society for many years. He was a member of the Moose, 55-plus club and a charter member of the Eagles.

He is survived by his wife Mary (Constant) McDonald of Lake Isabella and one brother Harry McDonald of Long Beach, Ca.

Mr. McDonald was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Charles and Bill and sisters Mary Fitfimmons and Sarah McDonald.

The family wish to express their thanks to all our friends and family for their support during Mac's illness and after his passing.

Services were held Saturday, November 14, 1992 at St. Jude's Catholic Church. Interment Kern River Valley Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

Boyd K. Montague

Boyd K. Montague, age 65, of Kernville passed away on November 8, 1992 at home. He was born on September 22, 1927 in Long Beach, California. He was retired from Pizza Hut. He was a member of Kern County Central Valley Amateur Radio Club #KC6VYW. Also belonged to the Southern Sierra Flyrodders Club.

Mr. Montague is survived by his wife, Barbara of Kernville; son Stephen of Garden Grove; daughter Robin McWhorter of Fountain Valley; and 2 granddaughters.

Private arrangements were made by Valley Mortuary. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Kern River Hospice of St John, P.O. Box Drawer "O," Wofford Heights, California 93285.

Ritta Owanda Slagle

Ritta Owanda Slagle, aged 76, of Lake Isabella, passed away on November 5 in Lake Isabella. She was a long time resident and a retired waitress.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph in 1985. She was born in Missouri on October 8, 1916.

Mrs. Slagle is survived by her sisters Lola A. Bales and Doris Hobbs of St. Joseph, MO; brothers Norman Phillips of St. Joseph, MO and Walter Paul Phillips of Grants Pass, OR.

Services were held Monday, November 9 at Valley Mortuary Chapel, Pastor Deryl Lackey was officiating. Interment was at Kern River Valley Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Nov. 18, 1992

OBITUARY

Bernard Francis Grabner

A Mass for Christian burial was held Friday, November 6, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Jude Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Bernard Francis Grabner of Wofford Heights. Officiating were his two brothers Father Donald Grabner O.S.B. and Father Eugene Grabner, and Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen of St. Jude. Interment followed at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights.

Mr. Grabner was born October 10, 1922 in Queens, New York and died October 31, 1992 at his residence in Wofford Heights. He was 70 years old. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and an Elk.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years Frances Grabner of Wofford Heights; son Tom Grabner of Wofford Heights; son Jim Grabner of Encinitas, California; brother Father Donald Grabner O.S.B. of Missouri; and brother Father Eugene Grabner of Kansas.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Jerry Jasper Moffatt

Mr. Moffatt was born June 3, 1930 and died November 4, 1992.

The family of Jerry Jasper Moffatt would like to thank their wonderful family and close friends for all of their support during the loss of their father. He will be greatly missed by his long time companion, Gwen Waltering; his sons and daughters-in-law Jerry & Yvette Moffatt, Terry & Debbie Moffatt; grandchildren Pete, John, Keila, Heather, Beau, Jacob, Nathan, Becca and Bret; mother Lou Jackson; sisters and brothers-in-law Imogene & Leonard McNabb, Wilma & Wayne Barker; brother Alan Moffatt; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Nancy Lorraine Shaw Popejoy

Nancy Lorraine Shaw Popejoy, 65 years of age, passed away at St. Agnes in Fresno, Thursday, November 19, 1992. Private services are for her family only.

She is survived by her husband E.R. "Bob" Popejoy; son James Witt of Kernville; son Kevin Witt of Cupertino; daughter Melinda Avoledo of Prather, California; brother Norman "Buzz" Shaw; and two grandchildren.

Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

John Jerome Kammeyer

A funeral service was held Friday, November 27, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the First Christian Church of Bakersfield at 1660 S. St., Bakersfield for John Jerome Kammeyer of Bakersfield. Officiating was Rev. Robert Rohe.

John was born November 27, 1941 in Loma Linda, California, and died November 21, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 50 years old.

He is survived by his sons John J. Kammeyer II of Sunnyvale, California; son Scott Kammeyer of Bakersfield; brother Marty Hayes of Corona, California; mother and father-in-law Thelma and Frank Wilson of Wofford Heights; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Diana and Don King of Bodfish.

John was a 17 year resident of Kern county and a former resident of the Kern River Valley where he worked as a barber until moving to Bakersfield. In Bakersfield, he operated his own business Stockdale Styling and Barbering Co. in southwest Bakersfield. John also had a great love for dogs, so much so that he was caretaker for the S.P.C.A. on Gibson St. in Bakersfield.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

Alana Jean Kammeyer

A funeral service was held Friday, November 27, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the First Christian Church of Bakersfield at 1660 S. St., Bakersfield for Alana Jean Kammeyer of Bakersfield. Officiating was Rev. Robert Rohe. Interment will be at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

Alana was born June 27, 1943 in Hermosa Beach, California and died November 21, 1992 in Bakersfield. She was 49 years old.

She is survived by her son John J. Kammeyer II of Sunnyvale, California; son Scott Kammeyer of Bakersfield; mother and step-father Thelma and Frank Wilson of Wofford Heights; sister and brother-in-law Diana and Don King of Bodfish.

Alana was a 17 year resident of Kern county, and a former resident of the Kern River Valley before moving to Bakersfield. She was employed by the county of Kern in the tax assessor's office at the time of her death.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

John Allen Kammeyer

A funeral service was held Friday, November 27, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the First Christian Church of Bakersfield at 1660 S. St., Bakersfield for John Allen Kammeyer of Bakersfield. Officiating was Rev. Robert Rohe. Interment will be at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

John was born January 14, 1968 in Torrance, California, and died November 21, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 24 years old.

He is survived by his brother John J. Kammeyer II of Sunnyvale, California; brother Scott Kammeyer of Bakersfield; grandmother and grandfather Thelma and Frank Wilson of Wofford Heights; aunt and uncle Diana and Don King of Bodfish.

John was a resident of Kern county for some 17 years and a former resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangments by Valley Mortuary.

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Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

Rebecca Lyn Russell

A private visitation was held on Saturday, November 28, 1992 at the Valley Mortuary in Lake Isabella for Rebecca Lyn Russell of Lake Isabella.

Rebecca was born October 27, 1971 in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and died November 26, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. She was 21 years old.

Rebecca was a 12 year resident of the Kern River Valley. "Becca" as she was known, was a student at Blair School in Bakersfield.

She is survived by her mother Robbie Russell of Lake Isabella; her sister Kathryn Mathis of Coeur D' Alene, Idaho; sister Esther Robbilois Antis of Vacaville, California; nephew Jason Alan Antis of Vacaville.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

June Anker Hiatt

Funeral services were held for on November 20 for June Anker Hiatt who was born on June 5, 1928 in Lincoln, Nebraska to Richard and Matilda Anker.

She had worked in bookkeeping for several companies in the Los Angeles area before moving to the Kern Valley about 15 years ago. She continued her bookkeeping work for small businesses here in the valley and also worked for Sprouse and as the manager of Craftmasters. She enjoyed reading and collecting stamps.

June is survived by her brother, Richard Anker of Los Angeles, and her many friends.

Services by Valley Mortuary with Pastor Floyd Castillo of Highland Chapel UMC officiating.

Wednesday
Dec. 2, 1992

OBITUARY

Jim L. Phillips

Jim L. Phillips passed away on November 17, 1992 in Bakersfield. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Ruby Phillips. Three children, Jimmy Ann Simpson, Richard Phillips and Linda Phillips, all from Lake Isabella. Seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Phillips served in the CB's in the South Pacific during World War II. He worked for the Caterpillar Dealer in San Diego County for forty years, serving in many positions.

Memorial services will be held on December 5 at 3 p.m. at the Mountain View Southern Baptist Church.

KERN VALLEY SUN

Wednesday
Dec. 9, 1992

OBITUARY

Mary E. Todd

Mary E. Todd passed away November 27, 1992. She was born December 14, 1896 in Sherman, Texas, to L.W. and Mary E. Boss.

She is preceded in death by her husband Jess E. Todd, Sr.

Mrs. Todd is survived by her seven children: Gertrude Emory of Las Vegas, Nevada; Boyd B. Moss, Sr. of Mesquite, Nevada; Edward Moss of Savoy, Texas; Edith Nelson of Sprague River, Oregon; Jess Todd, Jr. of Chatsworth, California; Gene Todd of Weldon, California; Harold Todd of Moorpark, California; and one very special daughter, Tawana Todd Barnett. She also had five stepchildren: Jackie Anderson of Denison, Texas; Marie Dunlap of Jacksboro, Texas; Joe Todd of Allyn, Washington; Rena Armsworthy of Borger, Texas; Bevins Todd of Bells, Texas; 12 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren.

Mrs. Todd had resided in Kern county for five years. She was laid to rest at Eternal Valley, Newhall, California.

Wednesday
Dec. 9, 1992

OBITUARY

Frank Clifford Crafton

Private services were held for Frank Clifford Crafton of Wofford Heights. Mr. Crafton was born July 20, 1912 in Texas and died November 27, 1992 in Bakersfield. He was 80 years old.

He is survived by his wife Emma Crafton of 59 years of Wofford Heights; son Fred Crafton of El Segundo, California; daughter Kathryn Johnson of Columbus, Nebraska; sisters Alice Cancella of Ohio and Monnee Payne of Texas; 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Crafton was an 8 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 9, 1992

OBITUARY

Ruth P. Vermeer

Graveside services were held for Ruth P. Vermeer of Illinois on November 27, 1992. She passed away on November 24. Officiating was Pastor Ford R. Miller. Interment at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier, California.

Russell Bradrick Farrar

Memorial services were held for Russell Bradrick (Brad) Farrar at the Weldon United Methodist Church at 1 p.m. on Friday, December 4, 1992. Pastors John Carpenter and Floyd Castillo officiated. Masonic services by Kern River Valley Lodge #827.

Brad was born on September 24, 1916, in Los Angeles, California, and died November 26, 1992 in Lancaster, California. He worked at Lockheed Aircraft from 1939 until his retirement in 1979 except for the time he served as a U.S. Marine from 1942 to 1946. He moved to the Kern River Valley in 1979.

He is survived by Anna Lorena, his wife of more than 45 years; a son Russell and his wife Andrea, and daughters Christina and her husband Florenio Fontilara and Sally and her husband Alberto Najera. His grandchildren are Paul and Jamie Najera, Lisa and her husband Matthew Beucherie, Stephanie Fontilara, and Kacie and Connor Farrar; great-grandchildren Makayla and Matthew Beucherie.

Brad was a member of Weldon United Methodist Church, Kern River Valley Masonic Lodge #827, Royal Arch Masons Chapter #162, Bakersfield Council #28, Knights Templar #39 and O.E.S. #643.

Wednesday
Dec. 9, 1992

OBITUARY

Catherine L. Martin

Private family memorial services will be held at a later date for Wofford Heights resident Catherine L. Martin.

She passed away in a Bakersfield hospital on Saturday night. She was born June 30, 1907 in East Hollywood, California and has been a resident of Wofford Heights for the past 16 years. She is retired from the Northrop Aviation Company.

Mrs. Martin is survived by her daughter Dodie Posey of Wofford Heights; son Robert Bond of Fallon, Nevada; son-in-law Chet Dowell of Wofford Heights; grandson Michael Dowell of Houston, Texas; grandchildren Paul and Cheryl Bond and Terry Sullivan, all of Fallon, Nevada; and 1 great-grandson.

She is preceded in death by her husband George in 1974 and by one daughter Phyllis Bond in 1989.

A Sunset Plan service of the Taft Funeral Home.

Thomas Joseph Flynn

A Mass for Christian burial was held Thursday December 10,1992 at l0 a.m. at St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights, CA for Thomas Joseph Flynn, U.S. Marine Corps. Ret. and former employee at the Naval Weapons Center. Officiating was Monsignor A.G. Herdegen of St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights. Interment followed with full military honors by a Marine Honor Guard, and V.F.W. Post 7665 of the Kern River Valley at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights, CA.

Mr. Flynn was born September 6, 1925 in Concord Massachusetts and died December 6, 1992 in Bakersfield, CA. He was 67 years old. He is survived by his wife of 43 years Virginia Flynn of Kemville, CA, son and daughter in law Dennis J. and Sheri Flynn of Anaheim, daughter and son in law Kathleen and Tony Haworth of Bakersfield, CA, daughter and son in law Denise and Ben Maytubby of Bakersfield, CA, brother Martin C. Flynn of Massachusetts, sister Marion Bilodeau of Massachusetts, and sister in law Dorothy St.Pierre of Lake Isabelta.

Mr. Flynn was Commander of the Kern River Valley V.F.W. Post 7665 and a 30 year resident of Kern County.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
Dec. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Ruth Naomi Sanger

A memorial service will be held Friday December 18, 1992 at 2 p.m. at the Valley Mortuary Chapel in Lake Isabella for Ruth Naomi Sanger of Weldon. Officiating will be Pastor Deryl Lackey of the Mt. View Southern Baptist Church of Lake Isabella. Ruth was born January 31, 1920 in DeLuz, Califomia and died December 9, 1992 at her residence in Weldon. She was 72 years old. She is survived by her husband of 30 years Luther Sanger of Weldon, daughter Roberta Searl of Tujunga, CA, 3 grand children Michael Martin of Tujunga, Michelle Wieczorek of Canyon Country, and David Martin of Azusa, and one great grand child. Ruth was a 20 year resident of the Kern River Valley. Arrangements by Valley Mortuary

Wednesday
Dec. 16, 1992

OBITUARY

Yvonne Helen Edwards

Yvonne Helen Edwards passed away on December 4 in Riverside. Mrs. Edwards, 68, was born in Belfast N. Ireland. She resided in Wofford Heights for 11 years. Previously she had lived in Cypress, California.

A funeral was held at 10 a.m. on Dec. 8 at the Acheson and Graham Garden of Prayer Chapel in Olivewood.

Mrs Edwards is survived by her husband Arthur, of Riverside; two daughters, Helen E. Edwards, also of Riverside and Elaine C. Jensen, of Claremont; a granddaughter, Brittany H. Jensen, and two sisters, Georgina Hooker of Canyon Lake, Lorna Froelich, of Lake Elsinore, and a brother, William McIntosh, of Canyon Lake.

Ralph Arthur Hollands

Memorial graveside services were held Tuesday, December 15, 1992 for Ralph Arthur Hollands, 83, of Medford, Oregon, formerly of Lake Isabella, California. He died Sunday, December 13, 1992. Inurnment was in Memory Gardens Memorial Park, Medford, Oregon.

Ralph was born February 5, 1909 in Lancaster, Kansas to Arthur and Margaret Carson Hollands. He married Melissa C. Walker on November 24, 1929 in St. Joseph, Missouri. He was a sheet metal millwright for Pillsbury Mills in Atchison, Kansas for 25 years. Ralph also worked 23 years for General Mills and Quaker Oats companies in Southern California.

He is survived by his wife, Melissa C. Hollands of Medford, Oregon; son John Hollands of Siletz, Oregon; daughter Lois Amaya of Medford, Oregon; sister Jessie Anderson of Atchison, Kansas; sister Nellie Wood of Atchison, Kansas; 11 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Judith Haworth, in May 1992; one granddaughter, three brothers, six sisters and his parents.

Arrangements by Memory Gardens Mortuary of Medford.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

William Edward Banta

A graveside service will be held Wednesday, December 23, 1992 at 11:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for William Edward Banta of Kernville. Officiating will be the Officers of the Elks Kern River Valley Lodge #2358. Mr. Banta was born May 7, 1907 in Delia, Kansas and died December 18, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 85 years old.

He was the founder and 35 year operator of the Westerner clothing store in Kernville from which he has been retired for the past 20 years. He was a member of Elks Kern River Valley Lodge #2358 and Kern River Valley Moose Lodge #498.

Mr. Banta is survived by his wife of 58 years Ruth Banta of Kernville; daughter Patricia Vehlewald of Kernville; brother Earl Banta of Oceanside, California; brother Patrick Banta of Orange, California; sister Vivian Schultz of Alaska; and two grandchildren. Mr. Banta was a 35 year resident of the Kern River Valley.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Sadie Alice (Bobbie) Wheeler

Sadie Alice (Bobbie) Wheeler was born December 14, 1913 in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. She died November 26, 1992 in Houston, Texas of complications following heart surgery.

She is survived by one daughter, Jacqueline L. Beltner of Harbor City, California; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; brother J. Neilson Brown of Denver, Colorado; brother Ansel G. Brown of El Paso, Texas; brother Daniel Brown, also of El Paso, Texas; sister Bertha Eubank of Story, Wyoming; and sister Ida May Tally of Boulder, Colorado.

She was a member of the South Fork Womans Club of Weldon, the Organ Club of Weldon and the Kern River Valley Grandmother's Club of Lake Isabella.

Services will be held at 2:30 p.m. January 9, 1993 at the South Fork Womans Club in Weldon, California. Interment will be private.

A memorial fund has been established in her name at the Nature Conservancy, Kern River Preserve, P.O. Box 1662, Weldon, CA 93283.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Chester Ottis Belew

A graveside service was held Thursday, December 17, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Chester Ottis Belew. Officiating were the Officers of the Kern River Valley V.F.W. Post #7665.

Mr. Belew was born in Stewart, Texas on September 1, 1918 and died December 12, 1992 at his residence in Wofford Heights. He was 74 years old.

He was a retired fork lift driver for the Blue Chip Stamp Co. He was a member of the V.F.W. Post #7665 Kern River Valley and a 14 year resident of Wofford Heights.

Mr. Belew is survived by his wife of 44 years Beulah Belew of Wofford Heights; brother Garland Belew of Texas; 3 nephews, 1 niece, 3 great nephews and 2 great nieces.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Frances Wolf

Frances Wolf, better known as Bud Wolf, a long time resident of Riverkern, passed away Saturday, December 5, 1992. He was born May 12, 1904 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

He is survived by a brother Gerald Wolf of La Cresenta, California; sister Clara Perry of Glendale, California; daughter Mary Frances Mora of Cameron Park, California; daughter Georgett Middleton of Bonita, California; daughter Audrey Storms of Simi, California; 11 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and 5 great-great grandchildren.

The family requests in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the United States Navy Memorial Foundation, 701 Pennsylvania Ave N.W., Washington D.C. 20004.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Edmund Earl Swearingen

Private cremation services were held for Edmund Earl Swearingen of Bodfish. Ed was born April 24, 1916 in West Virginia and died December 6, 1992 in Mt. Mesa. He was 76 years old.

He is survived by his wife of 23 years June of Bodfish.

Mr. Swearingen was a member of the Eagles Santa Monica Aerie #2397 and Past President and a member of the American Legion. He was a 13 year resident of Bodfish.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY -

Bernice M. Downard

A Mass for Christian burial was held Tuesday, December 22, 1992 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Jude Parish Catholic Church in Wofford Heights for Bernice Marguerite Downard of Weldon. Officiating was Rev. Monsignor A.G. Herdegen. Bernice was born September 25, 1904 in Fayette, Michigan and died December 17, 1992 in Weldon. She was 88 years old.

She was preceded in death by her husband James Downard in 1981. Mrs. Downard is survived by her daughter Carol Plante of Weldon; daughter Diane Wolney of Squirrel Valley; daughter Barbara Perham of Bodfish; son Jim Downard of Lake Isabella; sister Millie Manecke of Bishop, California; sister Betty Rogers of Colfax, California; sister Dorothy Sweeney of Reno, Nevada; 21 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Bernice was a member of the St. Jude Altar Society and a 44 year resident of Kern County.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Oscar P. Sargent

A graveside service was held Saturday, December 19, 1992 at 11 a.m. at the Kern River Valley Cemetery in Wofford Heights for Oscar P. Sargent of Lake Isabella. Officiating were the Officers of the Elks Kern River Valley Lodge #2358.

Oscar was born December 10, 1926 in Safford, Arizona and died December 12, 1992 in Mt. Mesa, California. He was 66 years old.

He is survived by his wife Carol Sargent of Lake Isabella; son Robert Sargent of California; son Donald Sargent of California; daughter Barbara Birdwell of California; daughter Pam Sheldon of California; Marilyn Fleming of California; brother James Sargent of California; sister Jewel Acrey of Arizona; Alta Mae of Arizona; 20 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Oscar was a 35 year resident of Kern County.

Arrangements by Valley Mortuary.

Wednesday
Dec. 23, 1992

OBITUARY

Gary Clifford Welch

Graveside funeral services were held in the Kern River Valley Cemetery on Tuesday, December 22 at 1:00 p.m. for Gary Clifford Welch, 37. He passed away on Wednesday evening December 16 in a Bakersfield hospital.

Gary was born in Charleston, South Carolina on November 21, 1955. He moved with his family to the valley in 1972 and graduated from Kern Valley High School in the class of 1974. He was preceded in death by his father Donald Wayne Welch, Sr. in 1975.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather Marjorie and Richard Olsson of Bodfish; son Nelson Welch of Bakersfield; son Gary Welch, Jr. of Topeka, Kansas; grandparents Albert and Vera Bush of St. Augustine, Florida; brother Donald Welch, Jr. of Chino Hills, California; brother Thomas Welch of Tacoma, Washington; and sister Lisa Welch of Bodfish.

A Sunset Plan service of the Taft Funeral Home.

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